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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 46

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

SB 46 would amend the duties of a court clerk by removing the requirements that the clerk keep the papers in each case in a wrapper or folder and that the clerk initial the date and time stamp on each paper. The bill also would give the Kansas Supreme Court, rather than the chief judge of a district court, the authority to order that records and information of the district court be kept in a computer information storage and retrieval system.

Background

The Kansas Supreme Court requested the Senate Judiciary Committee introduce SB 46.

In the Senate Judiciary Committee, a representative of the Kansas Supreme Court appeared in support of SB 46, explaining that the changes are needed to facilitate the Kansas Judicial Branch's ongoing implementation of electronic filing. No opponents provided testimony. The Committee made no changes to the bill and recommended it be passed.

The fiscal note on the bill states the long-term fiscal effect of electronic filing cannot be determined. The Judicial Branch budget request for FY 2012 includes \$1,866,000 from the State General Fund for the electronic filing project.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>