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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2030

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

HB 2030 would authorize the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism to make available not more than ten wounded warrior deer permits (primarily nonresident) each calendar year. These wounded warrior deer permits would be available to disabled veterans who sustained injuries in combat and have a service-connected disability of not less than 30 percent. The Department would conduct a random drawing if the number of eligible individuals exceeds the number of authorized deer permits. Individuals awarded these permits would pay the price for the deer permit established by rules and regulations for the highest value for the type of permit awarded. These wounded warrior permits would be subject to the restrictions of the season, sex, equipment type, or hunt units as issued on the deer permits.

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

Background

The only conferee on this bill was a spokesperson for the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism. The spokesperson spoke in favor of the bill and had asked for the bill's introduction. The spokesperson stated the bill seeks to set aside up to ten deer permits (primarily nonresident) for combat service-connected disabled veterans.

The House Committee made technical amendments to

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the bill.

The House Committee of the Whole amended the bill to change the percentage of service-connected disability from not less than 40 percent to not less than 30 percent.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the original bill, the agency states passage of the bill is expected to increase revenue to the Wildlife Fee Fund by no more than \$3,000. This amount is based on the agency's assumption that all ten of the permits would be sold to nonresidents at \$300 each.