

SESSION OF 2014

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2095**

As Further Amended by House Committee

**Brief\***

HB 2095 would amend existing law by creating term limits for the members of the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission. A provision in the bill would allow members appointed to the Commission to serve for no more than eight years. Current members who have served more than eight years would be permitted to finish the remainder of their current term, but would not be eligible for reappointment.

**Background**

Representative Schwab testified as a proponent of the bill at the House Committee hearing in 2013. The representative stated term limits would bring new people into the Commission, which would encourage reconsideration of interpretations of the ethics provisions.

During the 2013 Session, the House Committee on Elections amended the bill to create eight-year term limits for the Ethics Commission Members. Originally, the bill created term limits of four years for Commission members. The bill was placed on General Orders during the 2013 Session, then referred back to the House Committee on Elections. In 2014, the Committee further amended the bill with a technical change.

According to the fiscal note provided by the Division of the Budget on the original bill, the Governmental Ethics Commission indicated the bill would have no fiscal effect.

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\*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>