

SESSION OF 2014

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2545**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Agriculture and Natural Resources Budget

**Brief\***

HB 2545 would amend the sunset date of certain fees charged by the Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) from July 1, 2015, to July 1, 2018. The bill also would add two fee exemptions for milk processors that process or manufacture milk at the dairy where the milk is produced. Additionally, the bill would make a technical change to an existing statute.

**Background**

The bill was introduced at the request of KDA and a representative of the agency appeared as a proponent at the House Budget Committee hearing. Other proponents included representatives of the Kansas Agribusiness Retailers Association, the Kansas Cooperative Council, and the Kansas Grain and Feed Association. Written proponent testimony was provided by representatives of the Kansas Dairy Association and the Kansas Farm Bureau. No opponents testified.

The House Committee amendment changes the sunset dates from July 1, 2019, to July 1, 2018.

The fiscal note prepared for the bill, as introduced, indicated the bill would have no fiscal effect in FY 2014 or FY 2015, but that fee revenue would decrease by \$771,709 beginning in FY 2016 if no action were taken to extend the sunset dates.

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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>