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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2547**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Agriculture and Natural Resources

**Brief\***

HB 2547 would reduce the number of copies of U.S. Geological Survey topographic maps required to be submitted to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment when an entity applies for a surface mining permit. The bill would reduce the current requirement of five copies to one copy.

**Background**

This bill was introduced at the request of a spokesperson from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). At the House Committee hearing on the bill, the only conferee was a representative of KDHE who spoke in favor of the bill. The conferee indicated the bill was introduced to reduce the number of copies of maps to be included in new coal mining applications submitted to the Secretary of Health and Environment and the bill would have no impact on the operation of the program at KDHE.

The fiscal note on the bill indicates passage would reduce KDHE expenditures for office supplies by a negligible amount.

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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>