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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2591

As Recommended by House Committee on
General Government Budget

Brief*

HB 2591 would modify an audit report filing provision in law to require municipal audit reports be filed electronically with the Secretary of Administration, or the Secretary's designee, on or after January 1, 2015. Currently, those reports may be filed as hard copy with the Director of Accounts and Reports. The bill also would require all audit reports include the circular A-133 audit report described in Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," where required under the provisions of the federal Single Audit Act and any other audit related documents deemed necessary by the Secretary of Administration. The bill further would modify current law to eliminate requirements for municipalities to submit audit reports to any other state agency other than the Department of Administration.

Background

At the House General Government Budget Committee hearing, a Department of Administration representative testified the bill would help to standardize municipal audit reports and reduce administrative overhead for the agency and for municipalities by eliminating requirements to file audits with multiple state agencies. The agency further testified agency representatives had discussed the bill with the Kansas League of Municipalities and had not heard any objections.

*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>

There was no opponent testimony on the bill.

The Budget Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates the bill would not have an effect on the state's revenue or expenditures but some municipalities may have savings due to reduced paper and mailing costs.