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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2703

As Recommended by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2703 would amend the statute governing the determination of an offender's criminal history to establish a procedure for classifying out-of-state misdemeanor convictions. The comparable Kansas offense would be used to classify the out-of-state conviction as a class A, B, or C misdemeanor. If the comparable Kansas offense is a felony, the conviction would be classified as a class A misdemeanor. If there is no comparable Kansas offense, the conviction would be classified as a class C misdemeanor.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice at the request of the Kansas Sentencing Commission (KSC). In the House Committee, the Executive Director of the KSC testified in support of the bill. There was no neutral or opponent testimony.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect and no effect on prison bed space.

^{*}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