

SESSION OF 2014

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 439

As Amended by Senate Committee on Federal
and State Affairs

Brief*

SB 439, as amended, would allow the State Geographic Information Systems Officer, who is appointed by the Governor, to serve either in the office of the Kansas Geographical Survey (KGS) by adding such language, or in the Office of Information Technology Services (OITS), which is in current law.

Background

Proponent testimony was provided by the Executive Chief Information Technology Officer (Executive CITO) and the KGS Interim Director, both supporting the proposed addition of the KGS as an alternative office to house the State Geographic Information Systems Officer. The position currently is vacant. Both conferees indicated the Governor's ability to appoint someone currently employed in the KGS would be a cost-saving measure, adding that this amendment would afford such an opportunity. No other conferees testified.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to remove certain new wording that the conferees indicated was unnecessary.

The fiscal note on the original bill indicated there would be no net fiscal effect. The two proponent conferees stated the salary of one full-time position in OITS would not be filled

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if someone in the KGS were designated by the Governor to serve in the statutory position addressed in the bill. The Executive CITO stated approximately \$30,000 would be contributed to the KGS in paying for one current full-time position, if the Governor designated a present employee for the duties. The remaining salary budgeted in OITS would be considered savings.