

SESSION OF 2015

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2238**

As Amended by House Committee on Local  
Government

**Brief\***

HB 2238 would designate Cowley County as the official “stone bridge capital” of Kansas.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Local Government. Representatives Peck and Trimmer testified favorably before the House Committee. Representative Peck indicated Cowley County was the home of 18 stone bridges, or more than double the number in any other county. The Cowley County Director of Community and Economic Development and a private citizen testified in support of the bill, noting the county’s stone arch bridges draw tourists from across the globe. Written testimony in support of the bill was received from representatives of the Arkansas City Convention and Visitors Bureau, Winfield Convention and Tourism, and SKT.

No neutral or opposing testimony was received.

The House Committee adopted a technical amendment.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates the bill, as introduced, would have no fiscal effect.

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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>