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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2275

As Amended by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2275 would add several additional drugs or drug classes to the schedules of controlled substances. Specifically, the bill would add a hallucinogenic drug and a cannibinoid to schedule I, reschedule two hydrocodone drugs from schedule III to schedule II, add perampanel to schedule III, and add three drugs to schedule IV. The bill also would correct or standardize spellings or descriptions of several substances.

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the Kansas Register.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice at the request of the Kansas Board of Pharmacy. In the House Committee, representatives of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, Kansas Board of Pharmacy, and Kansas County and District Attorneys Association provided proponent testimony. Representatives of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office Criminalistics Laboratory, and the Salina Police Department/I-135/I-70 Drug Task Force provided written proponent testimony. A citizen provided neutral testimony. There was no opponent testimony.

^{*}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

The House Committee amended the bill to make it effective upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the bill would have no effect on the Board of Pharmacy or Kansas pharmacies. The bill could have an effect on prison admissions, prison beds, and agency workload of the Kansas Sentencing Commission, but the precise effect cannot be determined. The bill also could have a fiscal effect on state and local courts and law enforcement, but the exact fiscal effect is difficult to estimate because the number of arrests that may occur is unknown. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2016 Governor's Budget Report*.