

SESSION OF 2016

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 325**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Corrections and Juvenile Justice

**Brief\***

SB 325 would amend the list of persons and entities with access to the official file and social file in a child in need of care proceeding, to add to the list any county or district attorney from another jurisdiction with a pending child in need of care matter regarding any of the same parties or interested parties.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice at the request of the Kansas County and District Attorneys Association (KCDAA). In the Senate Committee hearing, a representative of KCDAA testified in support of the bill. A representative of the Department for Children and Families (DCF) submitted written neutral testimony. There was no opponent testimony. The Senate Committee recommended the bill be passed and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

In the hearing before the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice, the same representative of KCDAA testified as a proponent and the same DCF representative submitted written neutral testimony. There was no opponent testimony. The House Committee amended the bill to update references to the Secretary of Corrections and to allow a county or district attorney access to files regarding any interested parties also involved in the pending matter.

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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>

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill as introduced, the Office of Judicial Administration and the League of Kansas Municipalities state the bill would not have a fiscal effect. The Kansas Association of Counties indicates some additional staff time could be associated with granting access to files, but any cost would be nominal. Any fiscal effect is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.