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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2700

As Amended by House Committee on
Government, Technology and Security

Brief*

HB 2700, as amended, would amend law related to the disclosure of public records to require the redaction of all portions of an individual's social security number on any document or record before it is made available for public inspection or copying. The provisions of the bill would not apply to documents recorded in the official records of any county recorder of deeds or in the official records of the courts.

Background

The bill was introduced by Representative Esau and referred to the House Committee on Government, Technology, and Security. In the House Committee hearing, Representative Esau testified in support of the bill, stating the need to protect an individual's private information on forms that are available for public inspection or copying. Neutral testimony was provided by a representative of the Kansas Supreme Court, who stated concerns about the burden the bill would create for court employees and individuals desiring access to court records. Written neutral testimony was submitted by the Governmental Ethics Commission. No opponent testimony was provided.

*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 adopted an amendment specifying the provisions of the bill would not apply to documents recorded in the official records of any county recorder of deeds or in the official records of the courts.

No fiscal note was available when the House Committee recommended the bill be passed.