

SESSION OF 2023

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2406

As Recommended by House Committee on
Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

HB 2406 would amend provisions of the Kansas Personal and Family Protection Act (Act) concerning the carrying of a concealed handgun by an off-duty law enforcement officer (officer).

Current law allows an officer to carry a concealed handgun in any building where an on-duty officer could carry such weapon, regardless of whether the building has restricted the carrying of concealed handguns pursuant to the Act and provided the officer otherwise complies with conditions listed in the Act.

The bill would specify that in buildings where an officer may carry a concealed handgun, no person of authority for the building shall require, request, or record personal information of the officer.

The bill would provide that personal information includes but is not limited to the officer's:

- Email address;
- Home phone number; or
- Home address.

The bill would also specify that the officer could not be required to wear anything identifying the officer's status as a law enforcement officer, or as being armed.

*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>

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs at the request of a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Kansas Sheriffs Association. [Note: Provisions of this bill are similar to those of 2022 HB 2677.]

House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In the House Committee hearing on February 21, 2023, **proponent** testimony was provided by a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Kansas Sheriffs Association. The proponent provided examples of officers having to provide personal information in order to carry a concealed handgun and stated wristbands or other identifiers could place an officer at risk.

No other testimony was provided.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Kansas Bureau of Investigation and Kansas Highway Patrol both indicate enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect.

Concealed carry; handgun; off-duty police officer; Personal and Family Protection Act; personal information