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MEMORANDUM

To: House Appropriations Committee
From: Jill Wolters and Jason Thompson, Senior Assistant Revisors
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Subject: SB 425, Additional charge to fund electronic document filing, storage and management for the Kansas court system

Senate Bill 425 would authorize the judicial branch to impose an additional charge to fund the costs of establishing, operating and maintaining electronic document filing, storage and management for the Kansas court system on and after July 1, 2012. New Section 1 allows a fee to be charged for electronic case filing, motion filing, record access and document access. The Senate Committee added language to mandate that the fee shall not exceed \$10 per document for filing and \$0.10 per page for access, and to limit the fee to fiscal year 2013. All moneys collected from this charge are credited to the the judiciary technology fund established in K.S.A. 20-1a12.

Section 4 amends K.S.A. 20-1a12 to allow moneys in the judiciary technology fund to be used to establish, operate and maintain a statewide system of electronic case filing, motion filing, record access and document access.

Sections 2, 3, 5 through 11, 14, and 16 through 24 amend each statute that currently authorizes an additional charge to fund the costs of non-judicial personnel to allow the additional charge for the electronic document management. Sections 15 and 25, K.S.A. 32-1049a (wildlife, parks and tourism citation) and 65-409 (hospital lien statement), do not currently authorize an additional charge to fund the costs of non-judicial personnel, but the amendment allows the additional charge for the electronic document management in such instances.

Section 12 amends K.S.A. 28-177 to reference the new charge authorized by Section 1. Section 13 amends K.S.A. 28-178 to allow the additional charge authorized by Section 1 for all other statutes that currently authorize an additional charge to fund the costs of non-judicial personnel.

Finally, the bill makes technical corrections and reconciles statutory conflicts in K.S.A. 21-6614, 22-2410, 28-177, and 38-2312 (sections 7, 8, 12, and 17).