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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2597

As Recommended by House Committee on Government Efficiency

Brief*

HB 2597 would repeal statutes concerning agricultural seeds. The statutes (KSA 2-1426 and KSA 2011 Supp. 2-1424a and 2-1425) relate to a seed laboratory, seed testing, the seed examination fee fund, and the publication of reports of inspections and exams conducted under the provisions of Chapter 2, Article 14, on the sale and distribution of agricultural seeds.

Background

The bill was introduced at the request of the Governor's Office of the Repealer. A representative of the Department of Agriculture testified in favor of the bill before the House Committee on Government Efficiency, noting the state no longer has a seed lab, and the reports of seed inspections and lab testing have not been published for some time. The representative further testified the state contracts with the Kansas Crop Improvement Association to do the testing. No opposing or neutral testimony was presented to the House Committee.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget states the bill is of a technical nature; therefore, enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect.

^{*}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