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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2446

As Recommended by House Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

HB 2446 would allow the chief judge of a judicial district where the office of court trustee has ceased to exist to authorize expenditures from the Court Trustee Operations Fund for district court operations.

Background

In the House Judiciary Committee, Representative Carlson and the Wabaunsee County Attorney appeared in support of the bill and explained the bill was requested to access balances remaining in the Court Trustee Operations Fund in Wabaunsee and Pottawatomie Counties, where there is no longer a court trustee. The Wabaunsee County Attorney explained the Wabaunsee County fund has had a balance of \$2,118.87 since 1999, and the Pottawatomie County fund has a balance of \$36,099.68 with only interest adding to the balance and no expenditures since 1999.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget states that, according to the Office of Judicial Administration (OJA), the bill could increase revenues for district courts as access to monies in the Court Trustee Operations Fund would offset or supplement expenditures. OJA anticipates the amount would be negligible.

*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>