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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2621**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Corrections and Juvenile Justice

**Brief\***

HB 2621, as amended, would reduce the postrelease supervision period for drug severity level 3 crimes committed on or after July 1, 2016, from 36 months to 24 months. Similarly, the bill would reduce the statutory recommendation for the term of probation for drug severity level 3 crimes committed on or after July 1, 2012, from 36 months to 24 months.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice at the request of the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC). As introduced, the bill contained only the provisions related to postrelease supervision.

In the hearing before the House Committee, a representative of KDOC testified in support of the bill. A representative of the Kansas Sentencing Commission answered questions raised by the Committee related to the length of probation for drug severity level 3 offenders. There was no neutral or opponent testimony provided.

The House Committee adopted an amendment to lower the statutory recommendation for probation length for drug severity level 3 crimes.

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\*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>

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, KDOC indicates the bill could have a fiscal effect on agency operations, but KDOC cannot provide an estimate at this time. The Kansas Sentencing Commission indicates the bill could have an effect on prison admissions and bed space, but the Commission cannot provide an estimate at this time. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.