

SESSION OF 2017

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2129**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
General Government Budget

**Brief\***

HB 2129 would permit the Secretary of Administration (Secretary) to approve a new lease or renew or extend an existing lease without an energy audit being performed if the Secretary determines an energy audit is not economically feasible. The Secretary would inform the Joint Committee on State Building Construction in writing of any such determination when it is made.

**Background**

In the House Committee on General Government Budget hearing, a representative of the Office of Facilities and Procurement Management and the Director of Legislative and Public Affairs for the Department of Administration testified in support of the bill. The representatives stated the bill would not eliminate the requirement for an energy audit, but would allow the Secretary to waive the requirement in specific instances. The representatives provided an example of a lease negotiated for an outdoor structure, such as a tower, land, or a boat dock, that is not conducive to an audit. In addition, the representatives stated agencies are sometimes leasing only a small portion of a much larger facility and it is not feasible for a landlord to conduct an audit. No neutral or opposition testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Department of Administration estimates enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on agency operations.

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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>