

SESSION OF 2018

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2706

As Recommended by House Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

HB 2706 would amend law to specifically include child advocacy centers as locations where sexual assault examinations may be performed. The bill also would amend phrasing related to hospitals and medical care facilities to ensure consistent statutory phrasing.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Judiciary at the request of Representative Schwab.

In the House Committee hearing, Representative Schwab testified in support of the bill, stating the bill was intended to clarify that child advocacy centers may continue to provide sexual assault examinations. Written-only proponent testimony was submitted by a representative of Great Bend Regional Hospital. No other testimony was presented.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) indicates enactment of the bill could require KDHE to hire a consultant to develop policies and procedures for performing sexual assault evidence collection, but a fiscal effect cannot be estimated at this time. The KBI indicates 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>

Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2019 Governor's Budget Report*.