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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2119

As Amended by Senate Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance

Brief*

HB 2119, as amended, would authorize the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) Board of Trustees (Board) to develop policies and procedures to procure goods and services based upon sound business practices and in accordance to the Professional Services Sunshine Act (Act). The bill would authorize in- and out-of-state travel by KPERS employees and Board trustees in accordance to current laws dictating mileage allowance rates for private vehicles. The Board currently has the authority to procure its contracts for professional and consultant services, including actuarial consulting, investment management and consulting, and legal services.

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the Kansas Register.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Financial Institutions and Pensions at the request of Representative Kelly on behalf of the Board.

During the House Committee hearing, the Executive Director of KPERS provided proponent testimony, stating the bill would provide additional delegated authority to the Board, which is obligated to make decisions based on the best interest of the KPERS Trust Fund. The Executive Director of

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The House Committee amended the bill to clarify language pertaining to contracts considered to be in adherence to the Act.

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The Senate Committee amended the bill to change the effective date to upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

According to fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, KPERS estimates there would be a negligible fiscal effect on agency resources. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report*.