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| To: | Senate Committee on Ways and Means |
| From: | Office of Revisor of Statutes |
| Date: | March 15, 2021 |
| Subject: | Bill Brief – HB 2270 |

HB 2270 modifies the distribution of the levy on fire insurance business premiums to the fire marshal fee fund, the emergency medical services operating fund and the fire service training program fund.

Current law in K.S.A. 75-1508 requires fire insurance companies doing business in Kansas to pay the Commissioner of Insurance a levy that may be equal to a total of 1.25% of fire business transacted by those companies to maintain the office of the state fire marshal, the emergency medical services board and the fire service training program. These levies specifically cannot exceed .80% to maintain the office of the state fire marshal, .25% to maintain the emergency medical services board and related expenses and .20% to maintain the fire service training program, thus a total of 1.25%. K.S.A. 75-1514 distributes such levies into the various accounts of those three entities.

HB 2270 is modeled after a proviso that has been in the budget in recent years to determine how those levies should be distributed. The statute is amended to provide that the state treasurer should credit 10% of each such deposit (each levy) to the state general fund and that those deposits should not exceed an aggregate amount of $100,000. The bill goes on to provide that the remainder of those deposits shall be distributed in the percentage amounts as follows: 64% to the state fire marshal fee fund, 20% to the emergency medical services operating fund and 16% to the fire service training program fund. These percentages correspond to the levy amounts in K.S.A. 75-1508. The bill further provides the amount credited to SGF from the deposits in subsection (a) are to reimburse the SGF for accounting, budgeting and other administrative related expenses performed on behalf of those three entities.