

SESSION OF 2022

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2500

As Recommended by House Committee on
Taxation

Brief*

HB 2500 would allow Wilson County to impose, subject to voter approval, a countywide sales tax of up to 1.0 percent in quarter percent increments to finance county emergency medical and ambulance services. The proceeds of the tax would not be subject to apportionment to the cities within the county.

The tax would be required to sunset after ten years from the date first collected, which could be extended for additional periods not exceeding ten years, upon voter approval.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Taxation at the request of a representative of the Kansas Hospital Association.

In the House Committee hearing on February 1, 2022, Representative Newland and representatives of the City of Neodesha and Fredonia Regional Hospital provided **proponent** testimony, stating the bill would allow Wilson County voters to decide to fund emergency medical and ambulance services through a sales tax without impacting Wilson Medical Center's and Fredonia Regional Hospital's existing sales tax funding.

*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>

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by representatives of Fredonia Regional Hospital, Wilson County, and the Wilson Medical Center.

No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Department of Revenue indicates enactment of the bill would have no impact on state revenues.

Wilson County; countywide sales tax; emergency medical services; ambulance