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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT BRIEF
SENATE BILL NO. 67

As Agreed to March 28, 2011

Brief*

SB 67 would change the way residual funds for the gubernatorial inauguration are distributed. It would allow for distribution options only after the Adjutant General is reimbursed for expenses incurred in connection with the gubernatorial inauguration, as provided in current law.

The bill would add that residual funds, if any, may be donated to:

- A 501(c)(3) charitable organization; or
- Directed to the Executive Mansion Gifts Fund for expenditures related to the governor's residence, historic properties, or both.

The bill would delete the provision allowing residual funds to be credited to the governmental ethics commission fee fund, as is currently provided under law.

The bill would become effective upon publication in the Kansas Register.

Conference Committee Action

The Conference Committee agreed to a technical amendment.

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Background

Governor Sam Brownback submitted written testimony in support of the bill. There was no other testimony.

The Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections amended the bill to change the bill's effective date.

The House Committee of the Whole amended the bill to require that all expenses of the Adjutant General from the inauguration must be reimbursed prior to distributing residual funds, if any.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget states the bill would have no fiscal effect on state revenues or expenditures. The note states the Governmental Ethics Commission Fee Fund has never been credited with any residual inaugural committee funds.