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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2030

As Amended by House Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

HB 2030 would extend for five years exceptions to the Kansas Open Records Act that are set to expire July 1, 2011. The bill also would amend KSA 12-2819, concerning the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act, and KSA 12-5611, 12-5711, and 12-5811, concerning county riverfront authorities. These statutes would be amended to clarify that only documents and records kept or prepared by each authority for contract negotiations or civil proceedings to which the individual authorities are a party would be exempt from open records requests.

Background

HB 2030 comes from the Special Committee on Judiciary, which reviewed the exceptions included in the bill during the 2010 Interim and recommended their renewal. In the House Committee on Judiciary, a representative of the Office of the State Bank Commissioner appeared in support of the bill. No opponents were present at the hearing. The Committee amended the bill by clarifying that in KSA 12-2819, concerning the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act, and KSA 12-5611, 12-5711, and 12-5811, concerning county riverfront authorities, only documents and records kept or prepared by each authority for contract negotiations or civil proceedings to which the individual authorities are a party would be exempt from open records requests. This clarification was recommended by the Special Committee.

*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>

No fiscal note was available for HB 2030 at the time this supplemental note was written.