## SESSION OF 2016

## **SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 476**

As Amended by Senate Committee of the Whole

## **Brief\***

SB 476 would allow the board of county commissioners of any county to order an audit of any fire district located within the county. The townships where the fire district is located would be responsible for the cost of the audit.

## **Background**

At the hearing before the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs, Senator LaTurner appeared in support of the bill. He testified the bill would allow the Bourbon County Commission to be the auditing agency for fire districts and would reduce confusion in investigating allegations of misconduct in fire districts that cross multiple townships. There was no neutral or opponent testimony on the bill.

The Senate Committee adopted a technical amendment.

The Senate Committee of the Whole amended the bill to allow any county to order an audit of any fire district located within the county, rather than limiting the action to Bourbon County.

The fiscal note provided by the Division of the Budget on the bill as introduced states the Kansas Association of Counties has indicated enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect.

<sup>\*</sup>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