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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2454

As Amended by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2454, as amended, would amend the statute in the Revised Kansas Juvenile Justice Code (Code) governing detention hearings to expand the permitted use of two-way electronic audio-visual communication between the juvenile and the judge from detention hearings only to all hearings under the section, including the detention review hearings required every 14 days while the juvenile is in detention. The bill would further amend law related to detention review hearings by adding a provision stating such hearings are not required for a juvenile offender held in detention awaiting case disposition. The bill would amend the Code statute governing post-adjudication orders and hearings to require, if a juvenile offender is being held in detention, that a dispositional hearing for sentencing take place within 45 days after the juvenile has been adjudicated.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Joint Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice Oversight. As introduced, the bill contained the provision expanding use of electronic audio-visual communication and a provision allowing the juvenile and juvenile's attorney, with approval of the court, to waive in writing each detention review hearing.

At the hearing before the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice, a representative of the

^{*}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

Kansas Community Corrections Association submitted written testimony supporting the bill. A representative of Kansas Appleseed Center for Law and Justice submitted written neutral testimony. No other testimony was submitted.

The House Committee amended the bill to remove the waiver provision and add the provisions regarding a juvenile being held in detention awaiting disposition.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, the Office of Judicial Administration indicates any fiscal effect from enactment of the bill would be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2019 Governor's Budget Report*.