

SESSION OF 2019

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2168

As Amended by House Committee on
Appropriations

Brief*

HB 2168, as amended, would authorize the State Board of Regents to sell three pieces of property on behalf of Kansas State University and one on behalf of the University of Kansas, with the proceeds from the funds deposited to the restricted use account of the respective universities to be used for deferred maintenance. The bill would require the deeds, titles, and conveyances be reviewed and approved by the Attorney General. The conveyances would not be subject to the appraisal or state surplus property requirements.

The properties are located in Cherokee County, Douglas County, Riley County, and Saline County.

Background

HB 2168, as amended, contains the provisions of HB 2168, as introduced, HB 2158, and HB 2168. The following provides background information on each bill.

HB 2168 (Cherokee County and Riley County Land Sale)

HB 2168 was introduced in the House Committee on Higher Education Budget by Representative Phillips on behalf of Kansas State University. During the House Committee on Appropriations hearing, a representative from Kansas State University testified the property in Cherokee County is an 80-

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acre pecan experimental field in Chetopa, Kansas, that was gifted to the university and is no longer used.

The other parcel of land is 4.473 acres, located in Riley County in the North Campus Corridor adjacent to the Grain Science Campus. A representative from Kansas State University testified this property provides an opportunity to bring business and industry partners to the area.

No neutral or opponent testimony was provided.

The House Committee amended HB 2168 to correct the legal description of the property in Cherokee County and to insert the contents of HB 2158, regarding Douglas County land sale, and HB 2159, regarding Saline County land sale.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2168, as introduced, Kansas State University indicates the proceeds of the sale would be placed in the Restricted Fees Fund to be used on deferred maintenance. Any fiscal effect associated with the enactment of HB 2168, as introduced, is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report*.

HB 2158 (Douglas County Land Sale)

HB 2158 was introduced in the House Committee on Appropriations by Representative Williams on behalf of the University of Kansas. During the House Committee hearing, a representative from the University of Kansas testified that Oldfather Studios was a gift and it is too far from campus, and the Film and Media Studies that was housed in the building has now moved to Summerfield Hall on campus. The building is in very poor condition and the cost to renovate the building would be nearly half the cost of the building.

No neutral or opponent testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2158, the University of Kansas indicates there could be maintenance cost savings and the proceeds would be placed in the Restricted Fees Fund to be used on deferred maintenance. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of HB 2158 is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report*.

HB 2159 (Saline County Land Sale)

HB 2159 was introduced in the House Committee on Appropriations by Representative Claeys on behalf of the Kansas State University. During the House Committee hearing, a representative from Kansas State University testified the property includes the original campus gym located on the Kansas State University Polytechnic Campus and is no longer used by the campus. The sale would save paying a monthly utility bill related to this building.

There was no neutral or opponent testimony provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2159, Kansas State University indicates the proceeds of the sale would be placed in the Restricted Fees Fund to be used on deferred maintenance. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of HB 2159 is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report*.