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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2747

As Recommended by House Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

HB 2747 relates to port authorities. The bill would require approval of all cities and counties comprising the port authority before amending a cooperative agreement or refunding bonds.

Background

HB 2747 was requested and supported by the General Counsel for the Mid-States Port Authority (MSPA). He explained that in 1993, the MSPA bond counsel advised the MSPA that it could not issue bonds without approval of all 14 counties which "created" the MSPA, including three counties which were no longer members. Counsel noted that it does not serve a useful public purpose to require approval of a port authority's actions by cities or counties which are no longer members of the port authority or have any involvement in its operation and that approval should be required only by cities and counties involved in the port authority's operations and which "comprise" the port authority.

There were no other conferees.

The bill would not affect any state fund.

*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.accesskansas.org/legislature/>