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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2706

As Recommended by House Committee on Appropriations

Brief*

HB 2706 would allow any member of the State Finance Council who cannot be present at a State Finance Council meeting to certify an absentee vote on the issue either before the meeting or up to ten days after the date of the meeting at which the issue was voted on. Under current law, all nine members of the State Finance Council must be present to approve any issue requiring a unanimous vote, such as the approval of monies from the State Emergency Fund.

Background

Duane Goossen, Budget Director, testified that the additional flexibility provided by the bill could be beneficial after a natural disaster.

The fiscal note states that the passage of HB 2706 would not have a direct fiscal effect on the operations of the State Finance Council. However, it could have an indirect effect if an absentee vote submitted under the authority of this bill allowed funds to be approved and distributed more quickly to the victims of a state emergency.

^{*}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