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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 90

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Ways and Means

Brief*

SB 90 would amend the Kansas Act for the Civil Commitment of Sexually Violent Predators to require all costs incurred in determining whether an individual meets the definition of a sexually violent predator be paid by the state.

Background

Currently, the State pays for the prosecution of cases filed seeking the civil commitment of alleged sexually violent predators. In the case of an indigent defendant, the county where the defendant was originally convicted is responsible for the costs of the individuals defense.

The Senate Committee on Ways and Means heard testimony from Senator Reitz, the Kansas Association of Counties and the Riley County Board of Commissioners in support of the bill. Written testimony was submitted by the Attorney General's office. There were no opponents to the bill.

The Division of Budget indicates that because there is no estimate of the number of cases that will be prosecuted, the costs cannot be estimated.

*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>