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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 145

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

SB 145 would require that court records filed after July 1, 2005, and that are available for public inspection have all Social Security numbers removed or made unreadable. The Supreme Court would be required to adopt rules implementing this requirement.

Background

The bill was supported by Senator Barbara Allen and the Johnson County District Attorney as a means of fighting identity theft. Senator Allen noted that the Legislature has enhanced the security of Kansans from identity theft recently by the passage of laws strengthening the security of Kansas drivers licenses and by prohibiting the use of Social Security numbers on drivers licenses, health insurance cards, and university identity cards. SB 145 is the next step in this effort.

The fiscal note states that there will be a fiscal effect because of added labor needed to comply with the bill but no specific dollar amount is listed.

*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>