

SESSION OF 2005

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2387**

As Amended by Senate Committee on  
Judiciary

**Brief\***

HB 2387 would change the current procedure regarding the death of an inmate or prisoner when the death is determined to be natural by a qualified autopsy, preliminary autopsy report or death certificate or the inmate or juvenile was regularly attended by a licensed physician. An investigation of the circumstances of such a death by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) would not be required.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to direct the State to pay for the cost of medical care and treatment of a prisoner who is injured and determined to have no other resources while in the custody of a law enforcement officer employed by the State. The bill also allows the State to seek reimbursement of these expenditures from prisoners. If the prisoner is covered by health insurance, the State may require the prisoner or the health care provider to file a claim in accordance with the contract.

**Background**

A conferee from the Kansas Bureau of Investigation spoke in favor of HB 2387. A letter of support was received on behalf of the Department of Corrections.

The Senate Committee added provisions of SB 89 to the bill.

The fiscal note indicates that an exact fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

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\*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>