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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 381

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

SB 381 would amend criminal procedure dealing with a defendant's plea of guilty or *nolo contendere* to add a provision requiring the court inform the defendant, if the defendant was not born in the United States, that a conviction or guilty plea may have immigration or naturalization consequences.

The bill also would require the court to find, prior to the acceptance of a plea in misdemeanor, traffic infraction, and similar cases where the defendant is allowed to appear by counsel, that the defendant, if not born in the United States, has been informed a conviction or guilty plea may have immigration or naturalization consequences.

Background

The bill was supported by an immigration attorney from Overland Park.

The Senate Committee made a clarifying amendment.

The bill has no fiscal impact.

*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>