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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2757

As Amended by House Committee on
Environment

Brief*

HB 2757 would require the Kansas Corporation Commission to adopt rules and regulations requiring operators of oil and gas wells to notify landowners or the representatives of landowners of a spill which also is required to be reported to the Commission.

Background

At the hearing on the bill, a representative of the Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association appeared in support of the bill. Written testimony in support of the bill was provided by the Southwest Kansas Royalty Owners Association. A spokesperson from the Kansas Corporation Commission appeared as a neutral on the bill and provided the Committee with background information.

The House Committee on Environment amended the bill to require that notification of a spill also could be provided to the representatives of landowners and not just to the landowners themselves.

The fiscal note on the original bill indicates that the Kansas Corporation Commission believes that the bill would have a negligible 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>