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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 391

As Recommended by House Committee on Appropriations

Brief*

House Sub. for SB 391 would amend the statutes relating to KAN-ED to specify the features allowed by the network to be universal provider interconnection or peering rights and competitively bid end-user KAN-ED connections.

In addition, the bill would prevent the creation of a barrier to interconnecting to KAN-ED through unnecessarily difficult technical standards or provider changes to access KAN-ED.

Background

Representatives of Cox Communications and Pioneer Telephone spoke in support of the bill. Representatives of the Board of Regents and the Kansas Hospital Association spoke against the bill.

The fiscal note provided by the Division of the Budget indicates that while there is an anticipated fiscal impact for the bill, the amount has not been determined.

^{*}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