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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 418

As Amended by Senate Committee on Judiciary

Brief*

SB 418, as amended, would amend current law to require the Kansas Sentencing Commission (KSC) to annually produce the juvenile correctional facility population projections. The juvenile population projections would be due no later than November 1 of each year. Additionally, the KSC would be required to develop bed impact memoranda on bills that may affect the juvenile correctional facility population.

Background

Under current law, the KSC is required to annually produce the adult prison population projections and bed impact memoranda on bills that may affect the adult prison population. Current law is silent as to whom is responsible for the juvenile population projections. The KSC has produced the juvenile correctional facility population projections through a contractual agreement with the Juvenile Justice Authority (JJA).

The proponents of the bill included Helen Pedigo, Executive Director of the KSC, and Heather Morgan, Director of Public and Legislative Affairs, JJA.

There was no testimony in opposition to the bill.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary amended the bill, as requested by the Executive Director of the KCS, to insert a November 1 deadline and to add the requirement that KCS

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develop bed impact memoranda on bills that may affect the juvenile correctional facility population.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary also agreed to have the Chairperson write a letter to the Executive Director of the KCS to inquire about the issues and feasibility of requiring the KCS to issue jail population projections.

The fiscal note from the Division of Budget states, according to the KSC, an estimated additional \$50,000 from the State General Fund would be needed to implement the bill. This is the amount paid by JJA to KSC in the contractual agreement. The amount finances a portion of three positions that compile and produce the juvenile facility population projections. Any fiscal effect resulting from this bill would be in addition to amounts included in *The FY 2009 Governor's Budget Report*.