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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 307

As Recommended by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

SB 307 would amend the Kansas Storage Tank Act.

Current law requires the State Fire Marshal to begin conducting on-site inspections of aboveground non-fuel flammable and combustible liquid storage facilities to determine compliance with all standards concerning flammable and combustible liquids by July 1, 2009. SB 307 would change that date to July 1, 2012.

Current law requires the facilities to be in compliance by July 1, 2012. SB 307 would extend that deadline to July 1, 2015.

The bill would change the date from July 1, 2012, to July 1, 2015, for the imposition of a penalty if the facility is found to be out of compliance.

Background

The proponent on the bill was Dan McLaughlin, State Fire Marshal. No opponents testified on the bill.

Passage of Senate Sub. for 2008 HB 2634 created the onsite inspections of facilities and established the dates for inspection and compliance.

According to the fiscal note, the State Fire Marshal indicates that passage of SB 307 would delay the

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implementation of the required dates for facility inspections and compliance in current law. The State Fire Marshal received an expenditure limitation increase to the Fire Marshal Fee Fund in FY 2009 to cover the expenses associated with 2008 Senate Substitute for HB 2634. Of that amount, \$61,119 was for an additional 1.00 Fire Prevention Inspector FTE position, \$9,000 for travel and substance, and \$8,000 for miscellaneous operating expenditures. The additional FTE position was not approved by the 2008 Legislature. Since SB 307 would delay the implementation for the facility inspections required in 2008 Senate Substitute for HB 2634, the additional funding would for FY 2009 and FY 2010 from the Fire Marshal Fee Fund would presumably not be needed.