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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 533

As Recommended by Senate Committee on Judiciary

Brief*

SB 533 would amend current law regarding traffic, municipal courts, and county code enforcement to allow for the use of an electronic citation system to issue citations, complaints, and notices to appear. The bill also would authorize electronic signatures as the intent to sign the record.

Background

The proponent of the bill who presented testimony in the Senate Committee hearing was a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police.

There were no opponents of the bill who presented testimony in the Senate Committee hearing.

The fiscal note provided on this bill, as introduced, states the Kansas Department of Revenue states there would be no fiscal effect resulting from the passage of SB 533. The Office of Judicial Administration (OJA) is in the design phase of implementing electronic filing. The ability to accept electronic citations is a component of the project. OJA indicates there will be a cost associated with the acceptance of an electronic file, but that a firm estimate of that cost is not yet finalized and OJA anticipates having that component paid for with grant funds. While the Judicial Branch is not anticipating the need for State General Fund support to fund the component necessary to implement the provisions of SB 533, OJA estimates it will not be

^{*}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

ready to accept electronic citations until FY 2012. Any fiscal effect resulting from the passage of SB 533 has not been included in *The FY 2011 Governor's Budget Report*.