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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2620

As Recommended by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

HB 2620 would create the Kansas Firearms Freedom Act. Under HB 2620, any firearm, firearm accessory, or ammunition that is manufactured commercially or privately in Kansas and remains within the borders of this state would not be subject to federal law or federal regulation, including registration under the authority of Congress to regulate interstate commerce.

The bill would declare that such items have not traveled in interstate commerce. This would apply to firearms, firearm accessories, and ammunition manufactured in Kansas from basic materials and that can be manufactured without any significant parts imported from another state. Generic and insignificant parts that have other manufacturing or consumer product applications would not be considered firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition. Such parts imported into Kansas and incorporated into a firearm, firearm accessory, or ammunition manufactured in Kansas would not be subject to federal regulation.

The bill would require that a firearm manufactured or sold in Kansas under this Act would have "Made in Kansas" clearly stamped on a central metallic part, such as the frame. This Act would apply to any firearm, firearm accessory, or ammunition that is manufactured and retained in Kansas.

^{*}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

Background

Proponents included a representative of the Kansas State Rifle Association. No opponents presented testimony.

The fiscal note reports that according to the Office of the Attorney General, enactment of HB 2620 would have no fiscal effect on the agency's budget.