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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 316

As Amended by Senate Committee on Natural
Resources

Brief*

SB 316 would make numerous technical changes to existing statutes that pertain to the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism. The bill would ensure that existing statutes and fund names conform to the agency's name change and that the appropriate statutory authorities for programs are transferred to the agency.

The bill is a follow-up to the Executive Reorganization Order (ERO) No. 36 that became effective on July 1, 2011. ERO No. 36 created the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism from the former Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks and the Division of Travel and Tourism within the Department of Commerce.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Natural Resources at the request of the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism.

At the Senate Committee hearing, the Secretary of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism provided testimony in favor of the bill. There was no neutral or opposition testimony provided at the hearing.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to include three technical changes recommended by the agency and committee staff.

*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>

The fiscal note provided by the Division of the Budget states that the bill will have no fiscal effect on the agency's operations.