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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 2017**

As Recommended by House Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

Sub. for HB 2017 would amend the law concerning appeals to the district court of municipal court judgments and judgments of a district magistrate judge. Specifically, it would provide that these appeals could be filed only after the sentence has been imposed, and no appeal could be taken more than 14 days after the sentence is imposed.

Background

HB 2017 would have added language to provide that a person convicted of a right-of-way traffic violation that results in a vehicle accident or collision resulting in serious bodily injury or death would be guilty of an unclassified misdemeanor. The bill also would have given victims and the families of victims of such accidents rights to notice, to make a victim impact statement, and to receive restitution. Further, the bill would have clarified the procedure for appeals of municipal court actions to the district court.

In the House Committee on Judiciary, a representative of the Department of Revenue Division of Vehicles appeared to address the potential fiscal impact of the bill. Concerned citizens also appeared to offer their support for the bill. A subcommittee was formed for further study and agreed to recommend maintaining the sections concerning appeals of municipal court decisions, adding a section concerning

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appeals of district magistrate judge decisions, and striking the remaining sections. The House Committee agreed to adopt the subcommittee's recommendations as a substitute bill.

The Division of the Budget's fiscal note for HB 2017, as introduced, does not address the changes made by the substitute bill.