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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2200

As Amended by House Committee on General
Government Budget

Brief*

HB 2200, as amended, would establish the Office of Information Technology Services, headed by the Executive Chief Information Technology Officer (ECITO), an appointee of the Governor. The bill would abolish the Division of Information Systems and Communications (DISC) and the position of Director of DISC. All responsibilities of DISC would be transferred to the Office of Information Technology Services.

The bill would take effect upon publication in the statute book.

Background

The bill was introduced in response to the Governor's Executive Order 11-46, in which the Governor directed all non-Regents executive branch agency information technology directors and all staff performing information technology functions to report to the ECITO. The bill and the Executive Order also direct the ECITO to report directly to the Governor.

Chief Information Technology Officer Anthony Schlinsong testified in support of the bill. Mr. Schlinsong stated the goal of the consolidation was to reduce cost and increase service efficiencies using a cooperative approach for

*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>

IT procurement. There was no opponent or neutral testimony on the bill.

The General Government Budget Committee amended the bill to make the ECITO a voting member of the Information Network of Kansas, Inc. (INK) Board. Under current law, the Director of Information Systems and Communications is a non-voting member. The Committee also amended the bill to make it effective upon publication in Statute rather than the Kansas Register.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Department of Administration states the bill would have no fiscal effect on agency operations.