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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 84

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Assessment and Taxation

Brief*

SB 84, as amended, would enact “click-thru” nexus provisions relating to sales and use taxation.

One part of the bill would expand the definition of a retailer doing business in this state for purposes of sales and use tax collection to include those retailers and affiliated persons who enter into certain agreements with Kansas residents. Such agreements would include those entered into with one or more residents of Kansas under which the resident, in exchange for some consideration, directly or indirectly refers potential customers from Kansas so long as the cumulative gross receipts stemming from transactions generated by such references exceed \$10,000 during the preceding 12 months. The bill also would create provisions of law by which retailers could submit proof they do not meet the requirements established in the expanded definition.

Additional language in the bill would provide that any vendor selling or leasing tangible personal property to the state be required to register as a retailer for Kansas sales tax purposes; and that any ruling, agreement, or contract between a retailer and the State of Kansas executive branch concerning a sales and use tax exemption, despite the presence of a warehouse or distribution center, be null and void unless specifically approved by each chamber of the Legislature.

*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

The bill was requested for introduction and supported by the Kansas Chamber, whose representative said “click-thru” nexus legislation was being adopted in multiple states as part of the latest initiative to level the playing field between online retailers and “bricks-and-mortar” retailers located on Main Street.

The Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee amendment is technical.

The fiscal note indicated the bill would be expected to have a slightly positive but indeterminate impact on State General Fund receipts.