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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2056

As Recommended by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2056 would amend the list of adult offenders who are eligible to be placed in community correctional services programs to remove placements based on offense classification and expand placements based on the use of a standardized risk assessment tool specified by the Kansas Sentencing Commission. Those offenders who are determined, on or after July 1, 2014, to be moderate- or very high-risk by this tool would be eligible for placement. (Note: offenders who are determined to be high-risk by this tool are eligible under current law.)

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice at the request of the Kansas Sentencing Commission. In the House Committee, the Executive Director of the Sentencing Commission and representatives of the Office of Judicial Administration, Riley County Community Corrections, and the Kansas Association of Counties testified in support of the bill. There was no neutral or opponent testimony.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates any fiscal effect resulting from enacting this bill could be handled within current community corrections program funds in the Department of Corrections. The bill would have no fiscal effect on the Judicial Branch and no fiscal effect on local governments.

^{*}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