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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2111

As Amended by Senate Committee on Judiciary

Brief*

HB 2111 would amend the statute governing which items may be included in the taxation of court costs to include convenience fees and other administrative fees levied for the privilege of paying assessments, fees, costs, fines, or forfeitures by credit card or other means, including, but not limited to, fees for electronic filing of documents or pleadings with the court.

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the Kansas Register.

Background

In the House Judiciary Committee, a representative of the Kansas Credit Attorney Association appeared in support of the bill, explaining the purpose of the bill is to clarify payment transaction fees of 4.0 percent charged to parties for credit card payments of court fees are taxable as a cost. Representatives of Credit Management Services and the Kansas Bar Association also submitted written proponent testimony.

No neutral or opponent testimony was provided.

The same proponents offered testimony in support of the bill in the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

^{*}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 Senate Committee amended the bill to make it effective on publication in the *Kansas Register*.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, indicates the bill, as introduced, would have no fiscal effect on the Judicial Branch.