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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2442

As Amended by House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security

Brief*

HB 2442 would amend provisions in the Legislative Post Audit Act governing distribution of information technology audits conducted by the Legislative Division of Post Audit.

The bill would require the completed reports be furnished to both the controlling officer or body and the chief information technology officer of the branch of government in which the entity being audited is located.

The bill would not change existing provisions that require distribution to the entity being audited, the Legislative Post Audit Committee, the Joint Committee on Information Technology, and other persons as required by law or by specifications of the audit, or as directed by the Legislative Post Audit Committee.

Background

The Legislative Post Audit Committee introduced the bill. The Legislative Post Auditor testified in support of the bill to the House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security. There was no neutral or opponent testimony. The Post Auditor testified the intent of the bill was to limit the distribution of confidential information technology security audits so the information contained in the reports will not be easily available to hackers.

^{*}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 House Committee amended the bill to specify the audit reports would be distributed to the Governor, the Legislative Coordinating Council, or the Chief Justice of the Kansas Supreme Court, depending on whether the agency being audited is in the executive branch, the legislative branch, or the judicial branch of state government.

The fiscal note submitted by the Division of the Budget indicated the bill would have no fiscal effect.