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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 250

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

SB 250, as amended, would remove the requirement that the Secretary of Administration provide a monthly progress report to the Joint Committee on State Building Construction regarding progress on existing projects.

Additionally, the bill would bar any agency from expending funds to demolish the Docking State Office Building (Docking) or to reconstruct, relocate, or renovate the power plant or Energy Service Center. The bill further bars any agency from selling, leasing, transferring, or otherwise conveying the land on which Docking is located for FY 2016 and FY 2017.

The bill would appropriate a new special revenue fund within the Department of Administration to make payments to the Kansas Development Finance Authority and the McCarthy Building Companies to terminate the lease agreement and the construction contract. The bill would grant authority to the Secretary of Administration to transfer from the State General Fund or any special revenue fund in which the proceeds of the lease agreement are deposited the amount necessary to effectuate these terminations. The transfer of funds would be contingent upon the receipt of a written release stating the transfer satisfied all claims against the State.

The bill would repeal the portions of the 2015 appropriations bill that authorized the Department of Administration to demolish Docking and build the new Energy Service Center and would set the expenditure authority from

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the Docking State Office Building Rehab, Repair and Razing Fund to zero.

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

Background

The Director of Legislative and Public Affairs of the Kansas Department of Administration testified in support of the bill at the hearings in the Senate Committee on Ways and Means during the 2015 Legislative Session and the House Committee on Appropriations during the 2016 Legislative Session. The Director indicated the bill was the product of the Office of the Repealer and, due to a reduction in the amount of oversight and project management the Division of Facilities Management provides to Regents institutions, the reports are of limited value. The Director indicated the Division of Facilities Management would continue to provide monthly reports on change orders on these and other construction projects. There was no other testimony on the bill.

The House Appropriations Committee amended the bill to reflect the current year.

The House Committee of the Whole amended the bill to add provisions terminating appropriations for the demolition of Docking and for the replacement of the Energy Service Center.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, on the bill as introduced, the bill would have no fiscal effect on agency operations. The bill as amended would have a fiscal effect that is currently unknown.