## SESSION OF 2016

## **SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 319**

As Amended by House Committee on Judiciary

## **Brief\***

SB 319 would amend the statute governing venue for small claims to update a reference to the statutory chapter governing venue in limited actions.

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

## **Background**

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Kansas Judicial Council. In the Senate Committee, a representative of the Judicial Council testified in support of the bill, stating the reference had not been updated when the code of civil procedure for limited actions was revised in 2000, making it unclear what law is to apply to small claims venue issues. There was no opponent or neutral testimony. The Senate Committee recommended the bill be passed and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

The same conferee testified in support of the bill before the House Committee on Judiciary. The House Committee amended the bill to make it effective upon publication in the Kansas Register.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Office of Judicial Administration indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect on the operation of the courts.

<sup>\*</sup>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