SESSION OF 2018

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2438

As Recommended by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

HB 2438 would prohibit state agencies from contracting with a vendor on an information technology project if that vendor prepared or assisted with:

- The preparation of the program statement;
- The project planning documents; or
- Any other project plans prepared prior to approval of the project by the Chief Information Technology Officer (CITO) of the relevant branch of government.

Information technology projects with estimated cumulative costs of less than \$5.0 million would be exempted from the provisions of the bill. Additionally, the provisions of the bill could be waived with written permission from the CITO.

Background

The bill was prefiled for introduction on December 21, 2017 at the request of the Legislative Post Audit Committee. In the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs hearing, the Post Auditor provided neutral testimony on the bill. The Post Auditor stated his belief that the bill represents good

^{*}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

project management practices. No other conferees appeared before the House Committee.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Department for Children and Families, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, the Kansas Department of Agriculture, and the Kansas Department of Transportation all indicate the bill would have no fiscal effect, as these agencies have no plans to implement information technology projects with costs exceeding \$5.0 million in FY 2018 or FY 2019. The Office of Information Technology Services indicates the bill could have a fiscal effect on the agency, but any fiscal effect cannot be estimated.