

SESSION OF 2019

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2136**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Local Government

**Brief\***

HB 2136 would prohibit members of the governing body of a municipality from resigning their position on the governing body for the purpose of being appointed to another position on the same governing body, if it would increase the member's time on that governing body. The bill would define a municipality as a city or school district for this purpose.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Local Government at the request of Representative Collins.

In the House Committee hearing, neutral testimony was provided a private citizen. The citizen stated support for what the bill is trying to accomplish, but noted it was not a solution to governmental boards being able to select their own members. The citizen suggested requiring partisan elections at the municipal level or special elections in a departing member's district as possible alternatives. Written-only neutral testimony was provided by a representative of the Kansas Association of School Boards.

No other testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the League of Kansas Municipalities and the Kansas State Department of Education (Department) indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect on cities or the Department.

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\*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>