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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2215

As Recommended by House Committee on
Agriculture

Brief*

HB 2215 would authorize the Kansas State Fair Board (Fair Board) to establish a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. The purpose of the nonprofit corporation would be to receive gifts, donations, grants, and other moneys and engage in fundraising projects that benefit the Kansas State Fair.

The board of directors of the nonprofit corporation would consist of the members of the executive committee of the Fair Board, the General Manager of the Kansas State Fair, and other directors designated by the Fair Board.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Agriculture upon the request of Representatives Probst and Seiwert.

At the House Committee hearing, proponents included Representative Waggoner and the President of the Fair Board. Additional comments were provided by the General Manager of the Kansas State Fair. Proponents stated a nonprofit corporation would provide the State Fair more flexibility with regard to fundraising and future planning for capital improvements projects.

There was no neutral or opponent testimony.

*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 recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Kansas State Fair states enactment of the bill would not have an immediate fiscal effect, but over time it is expected to reduce reliance on the State Fair Capital Improvement Fund. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report*.