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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2114

As Recommended by House Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

HB 2114 would amend the state debt setoff law to provide that the collection assistance fee for all debts owed to a court shall be paid by the debtor as an additional cost, rather than deducted from the debts owed to a court.

Background

The state debt setoff law, found in KSA 75-6201, *et seq.*, provides tools for the collection of debts owed to the state or of support debts owed to persons who are using certain state agencies or contractors to collect such debt. An example of an available tool under this law is the setoff of a debt against a debtor's income tax refund.

In the House Committee on Judiciary, a representative of the Kansas Association of District Court Clerks and Administrators appeared in support of the bill. No others offered testimony.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget for HB 2114 states passage would have no effect on Judicial Branch expenditures, but would increase revenues as it would be allowed to retain the 17.0 percent collection assistance fee that currently is deducted if a debt is sent to the Debt Setoff Program for collection. The fiscal note indicates the precise increase cannot be determined.

*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>