REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **HB 2412** be amended on page 2, in line 12, by striking "to the credit of" and inserting ". The state treasurer shall credit 75% of each such deposit to"; also in line 12, after "fund" by inserting "and 25% of each such deposit to the municipalities fight addiction fund"; in line 23, by striking "All"; by striking all in lines 24 through 27 and inserting:

"(c) (1) There is hereby established in the state treasury the municipalities fight addiction fund, and such fund shall be administered by the attorney general to disburse funds to municipalities. Moneys in the municipalities fight addiction fund shall be expended subject to an agreement between the attorney general, the Kansas association of counties and the league of Kansas municipalities for projects and activities that prevent, reduce, treat or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction or to reimburse the municipality for previous expenses related to substance abuse mitigation or arising from covered conduct. Moneys may also be used to reimburse municipalities for the payment of litigation costs, expenses or attorney fees related to opioid litigation, but a municipality shall first seek payment from applicable outside settlement sources or settlement fee funds prior to seeking payment from the municipalities fight addiction fund.

(2) An agreement between the attorney general, the Kansas association of counties and the league of Kansas municipalities shall determine the method for disbursing money from the fund, and moneys shall be disbursed to municipalities that have not filed opioid litigation and municipalities that have filed opioid litigation, but have entered into an agreement with the

attorney general prior to January 1, 2022, that releases the municipality's legal claims arising from covered conduct to the attorney general and assigns any future legal claims arising from covered conduct to the attorney general.

(d) All expenditures from the Kansas fights addiction fund and the municipalities fight addiction fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports pursuant to vouchers approved by the attorney general or the attorney general's designee.";

Also on page 2, in line 37, after "with" by inserting "the Kansas association of";

On page 3, in line 7, by striking all after the first "Kansas"; in line 8, by striking all before the period;

On page 4, following line 16, by inserting:

"(3) The attorney general may take any action necessary to ensure the greatest possible recovery from opioid litigation and to seek funds for the Kansas fights addiction fund and the municipalities fight addiction fund."; in line 27, by striking all before the period and inserting "deposited in the Kansas fights addiction fund"; in line 29, by striking "maintain" and inserting "become a party to"; in line 31, after "filed" by inserting "or became a party to"; in line 35, after "any" by inserting "municipality that filed or became a party to opioid"; also in line 35, by striking "filed";

On page 1, in the title, in line 5, after "fund" by inserting "and municipalities fight addiction fund"; and the bill be passed as amended.

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