

SESSION OF 2024

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2632

As Recommended by House Committee on
Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

HB 2632 would amend law related to membership of the Law Enforcement Memorial Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee).

[*Note:* The Law Enforcement Memorial (Memorial) was created in statute by the 1984 Legislature, and the Advisory Committee was created by the 1989 Legislature. The Memorial is located in the northeast quadrant of the Statehouse grounds and was established as a tribute to law enforcement officers who lost their lives while in the line of duty in service to the State. The Advisory Committee is required to advise on matters related to the Memorial and may also advise on memorial or commemorative activities and Memorial fundraising.]

The bill would expand the membership of the Advisory Committee from 10 members to 11 members by designating a newly-created seat for a representative of the Kansas chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS).

Continuing law requires certain appointments to the Advisory Committee be made by the Governor, who may appoint members from a list of three names submitted by the respective organizations. The bill would add COPS to the listed organizations whose Advisory Committee members are appointed by the Governor.

*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 bill would also make a technical amendment to ensure consistency in statutory formatting and phrasing.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs at the request of a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Kansas Sheriffs Association.

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In the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by a representative from the Kansas COPS chapter and a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Kansas Sheriffs Association. The proponents indicated the bill would continue to help COPS in its mission in providing resources to family members and coworkers affected by a law enforcement death in the line of duty death because it will allow the organization to provide input in the planning of Memorial events and in designating names to be placed on the Memorial.

The House Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Office of the Governor indicates enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect.

Law enforcement; Law Enforcement Memorial Advisory Committee; Concerns of Police Survivors