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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2145

As Recommended by House Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications

Brief*

HB 2145 would exempt from the definition of "public utility" the marketing and sale of electricity purchased through a retail electric supplier in such supplier's certified service territory for the sole purpose of the provision of electric vehicle charging services to an end user.

The bill would also make technical amendments.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications at the request of Fuel True Independent Energy and Convenience.

[Note: The provisions of HB 2145 are the same as those of 2020 HB 2585, as introduced. Senate Sub. for HB 2585, as enacted, did not contain this subject matter.]

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In the House Committee hearing, representatives of ChargePoint, Department of the Army, Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC), and Triplett, Inc., provided **proponent** testimony on the bill. The proponents generally stated the bill would allow electric vehicle charging services to be placed at

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traditional businesses, foster retail competition, provide more regulatory certainty to price charging services, and increase access to such services.

Written-only **proponent** testimony was provided by representatives of the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board, EV Build, Evergy, Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., and Metropolitan Energy Center.

No neutral or opponent testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the KCC indicated enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agency.

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