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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2026**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Health and Human Services

**Brief\***

HB 2026 would amend the Kansas Nurse Practice Act to authorize the Board of Nursing (Board) to revoke a license for three years and would establish an application fee not to exceed \$1,000 for the reinstatement of a revoked license.

The bill would allow a person whose license has been revoked to apply for reinstatement after three years from the effective date of the revocation. Application for reinstatement would need to be made on a form approved by the Board and be accompanied by the associated application fee. A denial of license reinstatement by the Board would make the person ineligible to reapply for reinstatement for three years from the effective date of denial. The bill would authorize the Board, on its own motion, to stay the effectiveness of an order of revocation of a license.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Health and Human Services at the request of the Board. At the House Committee hearing, testimony in support of the bill was provided by a representative of the Board. The representative stated the three-year license revocation would help prevent the continual cycle of license revocation and immediate application for reinstatement and would afford the licensee an opportunity to rehabilitate, while reinforcing the serious nature of the revocation. According to the Board

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\*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>

representative, the fee for reinstatement is intended to cover the agency cost of investigating and processing the request to return to practice and reinforce the seriousness of a revocation.

No neutral or opponent testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Board estimates the cost of the regulatory change would be negligible if the bill were enacted. The Board could not estimate any change in revenue because it is unknown how many persons would apply for reinstatement of revoked licenses.