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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 59

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

SB 59 would designate the Thursday immediately preceding the third Monday in January of 2023 and in subsequent years as “Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at the Capitol.”

Background

The bill was requested for introduction by Senator Faust-Goudeau and Senator Haley.

Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In the Senate Committee hearing, proponent testimony was provided by Senator Faust-Goudeau, Senator Haley, a representative of the Kansas African American Affairs Commission, and a private citizen. The proponents indicated the designation would be a meaningful way to acknowledge Dr. King’s legacy and invite everyone to join the annual events planned for the day.

Representative Boyd, representatives of the Kansas African American Museum and the Racial Profiling Advisory Board of Wichita, and a private citizen provided written-only proponent testimony.

No other testimony was provided.

*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 Senate 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 Department of Administration indicates that enactment would have no fiscal effect.