SESSION OF 2011

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 248

As Recommended by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Brief*

SB 248 would provide that no legislator shall receive the daily compensation ($88.66) or daily subsistence amount ($123.00) for any legislative day of the regular 2011 Session which occurs after May 12, 2011.

The bill would be effective upon publication in the Kansas Register.

Background

The 90th day of the 2011 Session of the Legislature will be Thursday, May 12, 2011. There were no proponents or opponents that testified before the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

The fiscal note on the bill indicated that each day of legislator compensation and subsistence costs $35,179 (all from the State General Fund). According to the fiscal note, the number of days the Legislature might remain in session after May 12 cannot be anticipated, preventing an estimate as to the Legislature's budgetary savings.

The Kansas Constitution limits a legislative session in even-numbered years to 90 days, unless extended by a two-thirds vote of the elected membership of each chamber. The legislative session in odd-numbered years is of unlimited length unless the Legislature itself adopts restrictions.

*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