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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 259

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Ways and Means

Brief*

SB 259 removes a June 30, 2012, sunset date and extends an exemption for certain retirees from the statutory $20,000 earnings limitation from July 1, 2012, to July 1, 2015. The exemption applies to teachers and other licensed school professionals who retire with KPERS benefits and choose to return to work without an earnings cap. The bill also would extend the special employer contribution rate that applies to compensation earned by retirees.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Legislative Educational Planning Committee during the 2011 Interim. The original legislation was passed by the 2008 Legislature. Representatives from the Dodge City Public Schools, the Doniphan County Education Cooperative, Turner Unified School District 202, Smokey Valley Public Schools, and Unified School District 490 spoke in favor of the bill. A conferee from the Kansas Association of School Boards was neutral.

There were no conferees who appeared in opposition to the legislation.

The fiscal note on the bill states passage would have no direct effect on state expenditures.

*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