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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON
SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 584**

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Public Health and Welfare

Brief*

Sub. for SB 584 amends a statute that currently authorizes the granting of a license to practice medicine and surgery to a specific individual who met the requirements set out in the statute. As amended, the statute would authorize the Board of Healing Arts to grant a license to practice medicine and surgery to any individual who meets the statutory requirements for licensure except for (a) having successfully completed the basic science examination and (b) passing an examination in the branch of the healing arts for which the license is sought if such individual has:

- completed at least two years of approved postgraduate training in the United States;
- a valid institutional license on the effective date of Sub. for SB 584; and
- has had a valid institutional license for at least five years.

The provisions of the statute amended by SB 584 would expire on July 1, 2007.

Background

SB 584 was requested for introduction and supported at the time of the Committee hearing on the bill by a member of the Senate

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Committee who noted there are a few persons who hold an institutional license to practice a branch of the healing arts who would like to be eligible for full licensure and who could be an asset to Kansas communities if they were allowed to practice outside the scope of an institutional license. Holders of an institutional license may only practice as an employee of statutorily specified employers or in one other statutorily established setting. The Board of Healing Arts and the Kansas Medical Society expressed concerns about the original version of SB 584. The substitute bill was suggested by a representative of the Board of Healing Arts.

SB 584 would have no significant fiscal impact.