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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 34**

As Amended by Senate Committee on  
Judiciary

**Brief\***

SB 34 would amend the Kansas Tort Claims Act to expand the definition of charitable health care provider to cover free, mobile dental services through a community service project. Charitable health care providers are considered state employees for purposes of tort liability.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to make it effective in the *Kansas Register*.

**Background**

A representative of the Kansas Dental Association said the Kansas Dental Association and its charitable foundation have joined with local dental societies, the Kansas Dental Hygienists Association, the Kansas Dental Assistants Association, dental product suppliers, the United Methodist Health Ministry Fund, Mexican American Ministries, community volunteers, and others to provide free dental care to persons in need. Free services will be offered on the weekend of February 28 through March 2 at the Finney County Fairground in Garden City. The second project will be held November 14-16, 2003, at the Wyandotte County Fairgrounds.

The bill was supported by the Kansas Trial Lawyers Association.

The fiscal note was not available.

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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/klrd>