

SESSION OF 2004

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 540

As Amended by Senate Committee of the Whole

Brief*

SB 540 would prohibit postsecondary educational institutions from using a student's or employee's social security number on the individual's identification card or encoding the number in a magnetic strip or elsewhere on the card. The bill would also prohibit an individual's new identification number from being based on the person's social security number. The prohibition would become effective July 1, 2006.

Background

SB 540 was introduced by the Committee on Ways and Means. Senator Barbara Allen testified to the Senate Education Committee in favor of the bill. A representative of the Board of Regents expressed neutrality on the bill, but noted two issues with the bill as introduced. There were no opponents to the bill appearing before the Committee.

The Senate Education Committee amended the bill to address the concerns of the Board of Regents by moving the effective date from July 1, 2005, to January 1, 2006, and by adding a clarification of the number of digits from the individual's social security number allowed to appear in the new identification number.

The Senate Committee of the Whole amended the bill to move the effective date from January 2006, to July 2006 and to more broadly define the new identification number.

There was no fiscal note from the Division of the Budget available at the time of the hearing.

*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>

