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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 49

As Recommended by Senate Committee on Education

Brief*

SB 49 would create a new provision in state law with regard to contracts entered into by any unified school district in Kansas. The provision would state that it is the policy of the State of Kansas that all contracts entered into by a local school board will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas. Contracts entered into by any officers or employees acting on behalf of the school board would carry the same provision. The local board, or any officer or employee acting on the board's behalf, would have no power to enter into a contract which provides that the contract must be governed by or interpreted in accordance with laws of any other state. Contracts not consistent with the provisions of this bill would be void and unenforceable.

Background

Proponents for the bill included Senator Vratil and representatives for the Kansas National Education Association and Kansas Association of School Boards.

The fiscal note for the bill states that as a clarification to policy on contracts, enactment of SB 49 would not require any additional state appropriation to the Department of Education.

*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>