

SESSION OF 2005

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 146

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

SB 146 would amend the law dealing with medical malpractice screening panels to raise the compensation of the chairperson of the panel to no less than \$500 or such amount as the court find fairly compensates the chairperson. The court shall consider the usual hourly rate charged for the attorney's services who is acting as chairperson.

Background

The bill was supported by District Judge Fred Lorentz of Wilson County who said it was difficult finding attorneys to chair malpractice screening panels due to the \$500 cap on compensation for such service.

The fiscal note was not available.

*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>