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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 486**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Federal and State Affairs

**Brief\***

Sub. for SB 486, as amended, would extend the existence of the Governor's Task Force on Racial Profiling to July 1, 2009. The bill would require the Task Force to work with law enforcement agencies to review policies and make recommendations for statewide policies and procedures regarding racial profiling. The bill also would provide for the term of office, duties, and compensation for the Task Force members.

**Background**

Sub. for SB 486, originally, would have created a new Commission called the Kansas Commission on Racial Profiling. Senator Betts testified that the Racial Profiling Commission would continue the work of the Governor's Task Force enacted by Sub. for SB 77 during the 2005 Legislative Session. Sub. for SB 77 made racial profiling unlawful and required law enforcement agencies to create and adopt policies prohibiting racial profiling. The Task Force was charged with the responsibility to study the need for uniform data collection and to design a method for uniform data collection, if necessary.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to extend the existence of the Governor's Task Force on Racial Profiling to July 1, 2012 rather than creating a new Commission. The Committee amended the bill to designate the term of office, duties and the compensation of the Task Force members. These amendments created Sub. for SB 486.

The House Committee amended the bill to extend the existence of the Governor's Task Force on Racial Profiling to July 1, 2009. The

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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>

Committee also amended the bill to clarify the limitation on the term of office so that a member may not serve more than two terms, consecutively.

Proponents in the Senate Committee of the original SB 486 included Senator Betts, representatives of the African American Affairs Commission, the Human Rights Commission, and the Kansas Hispanic & Latino American Affairs Commission.

Opponents in the Senate Committee of SB 486, as introduced, were representatives of the Kansas Peace Officers Association, the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Kansas Sheriff's Association, although they supported the provisions of Sub. for SB 77. They testified that more time was needed to work with members of the Task Force before a Commission on racial profiling is created.

Proponents of Sub. for SB 486, in the House Committee included Senator Betts, a representative of the African American Affairs Commission, and representatives from the Kansas Peace Officers' Association and the Kansas Association of Chief of Police.

There were no opponents that testified in the House Committee.

The fiscal note was based upon the creation of a Racial Profiling Commission and therefore is not relevant to the substitute bill.