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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2002

As Amended by Senate Committee of the Whole

Brief*

HB 2002, as amended, would allow a school district to recompute its general fund budget based on a second count of military students on February 20. To be eligible for a second count, a school district would be required to have at least 25 military pupils or military students equal to one percent or more of the district's enrollment on February 20 who were not enrolled on September 20. Districts eligible for the second count would then add the number of additional military students enrolled on February 20 to the September 20 student count to determine a district's general fund budget.

Background

A representative of the Kansas Association of School Boards testified as the bill's proponent. The Superintendent of the Geary County School District opposed the bill.

The House Committee on Education amended the bill by eliminating a provision that would have required school districts to consider the number of military students leaving the district between the September 20 and February 20 count date, which would have used a "net" number of military students when computing the general fund budget.

The Senate Education Committee amended the bill by eliminating the requirement that a second count date apply only to increases in military pupils. The Committee also amended the bill by computing the general fund budget based upon a

^{*}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

"net" increase in students between September 20 and February 20.

The Senate Committee of the Whole amended the bill allowing a school district to recompute its general fund budget based on a second count of military students on February 20.

The Division of the Budget estimated the original bill would have saved the state approximately \$1.7 million. There was no fiscal note for the amended bill.