

SESSION OF 2010

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT BRIEF
HOUSE BILL NO. 2486**

As Agreed to April 30, 2010

Brief*

HB 2486 would amend two sections of the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act enacted in 2007. The bill would amend the requirements of the statewide organ and tissue donor registry by including language that an individual, who agrees to have the individual's name in the registry, has given full legal consent to the donation of any of the individual's organs or tissues upon the individual's death as recorded in the registry.

The bill also would amend the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act by permitting a donor to amend or revoke an anatomical gift by directly accessing the registry website or notifying the Kansas federally designated organ procurement organization to request the amendment or revocation. Additionally, withdrawal of the individual's consent to be listed in the registry does not constitute a refusal to make an anatomical gift of the individual's body or parts.

Conference Committee Action

The Conference Committee agreed to substitute the contents of SB 391 as amended for the original contents of HB 2486 and place the original contents of 2486 into another bill.

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Background

HB 2486 as introduced would have amended law regarding the operation of school buses.

SB 391 was introduced by the Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare at the request of the Midwest Transplant Network. Proponents of the bill included the CEO of the Midwest Transplant Network and the Legislative Counsel for the Midwest Transplant Network and National Kidney Foundation. The proponents stated that the amendments would strengthen and clarify the provisions of the Kansas Uniform Anatomical Gift Act regarding decisions to donate anatomical gifts prior to death and that the first person registry would provide a more effective mechanism for donors to have their desires concerning the donation of organs registered and recognized. No opponents of the bill presented testimony. The Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare technical amendment is included in this bill.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget states that the bill would have no fiscal effect.

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