

SESSION OF 2010

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2595**

As Amended by Senate Committee of the Whole

**Brief\***

HB 2595 would authorize a local board of education to provide transportation to any non-resident pupil who is enrolled and attending school in the district. The agreement to provide transportation to a non-resident pupil would be provided until the end of the school year. Prior to providing such transportation, the school district providing transportation would notify the local board of education where the pupil resides. Current law requires an application be submitted by July 15 to the resident district by the district the non-resident student chose to attend. This bill would remove that provision.

The bill would not allow school districts with territory located in Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee, or Wyandotte counties to exercise the authority granted in the bill.

Under the provisions of the bill and for school finance purposes (except for transportation weighting), the non-resident student would be counted in the district in which the student is enrolled.

The bill would remove the requirement that the State Board of Education review and approve new school building plans and would clarify that the law applies to renovation and reconstruction. School districts still must comply with requirements set by the State Fire Marshal, and school building plans must be certified by an architect or professional engineer as meeting requirements of this act.

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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>

## **Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Education. A representative of the Abilene School District Board of Education was a proponent of the bill. Opponents of the bill include representatives of the Kansas Association of School Boards and the Riley County School District.

The Committee amended the bill by adding a provision that notification by the district transporting a non-resident student would be made to the student's resident district.

The Senate Education Committee deleted the portion of the bill that would not allow school districts with territory located in Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee, or Wyandotte counties to exercise the authority granted in the bill.

The Senate Committee of the Whole added a provision to the bill that would not allow school districts with territory located in Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee, or Wyandotte counties to exercise the authority granted in the bill.

The Senate Committee of the Whole also added the provision in SB 385 that would remove the requirement that the State Board of Education review and approve new school building plans and would clarify that the law applies to renovation and reconstruction.

The fiscal note provided by the Division of the Budget on the original bill indicated the bill would have no fiscal effect on state aid to school districts; however, those school districts choosing to provide transportation to non-resident pupils could see an increase in transportation costs. There was no fiscal note for the amended bill.