## SESSION OF 2010

## SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2619

As Amended by House Committee on Health and Human Services

## **Brief\***

HB 2619, as amended, would change current law regarding the scope of practice allowed for registered nurse anesthetists (RNAs). The bill would allow RNAs, upon the order of a physician or dentist and as a member of a physician or dentist directed health care team, to order or administer appropriate medication and anesthetic agents necessary to implement anesthesia plans of care pre- and post-analgesia and during the peri-anesthetic or pre-analgesic period; order necessary medications and tests in the peri-anesthetic or peri-analgesic period and take appropriate action.

## **Background**

Proponents included representatives of the Kansas Association of Nurse Anesthetists and Kansas State Board of Nursing. Appearing as neutral on the bill was a physician and a representative of the Kansas Medical Society who asked for language clarification. The Kansas Association of Nurse Anesthetists and the Kansas Medical Society agreed to the new language as it is reflected in the amended bill.

The Board of Nursing indicates that passage of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the Board as outlined in the fiscal note.

<sup>\*</sup>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