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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136

As Recommended by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

House Sub. for SB 136 amends the existing law concerning "university police" and creates a new category for "campus police." "University police" would continue to be employed by the chief executive officer of any state educational institution or municipal university. "Campus police" would be employed by a community college or school district.

University police and campus police would have jurisdiction:

- ! on property owned, occupied, or operated by the educational institution of a school district and on property associated with student activities or student functions;
- ! on the streets, property, and highways immediately adjacent and coterminous with the educational institution's property;
- ! within the city or county where the property is located, with appropriate agreement by the local law enforcement agencies;
- ! when in fresh pursuit of a person;
- ! when transporting persons in custody; and
- ! when providing emergency transportation of medical supplies and transplant organs.

Both university police and campus police would be required to

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meet the training requirements of the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Act.

The substitute bill adds the university police and campus police to several statutes which define crimes against a law enforcement officer.

Another provision of the bill requires the board of education of each school district to adopt a policy providing for notification of a students parents or guardian whenever the student is taken into custody by a campus police officer.

As introduced, SB 136 would have changed the term "university police" to "campus police," and expanded the definition to include persons employed by community colleges and school districts, as well as state educational institutions and Washburn University.

Background

Senator Hensley testified in support of the original bill. Also testifying in support of the original bill were representatives of the Topeka Police Department; the National Association of School Resource Officers; the Topeka Public Schools; and the National Education Association of Topeka.

No fiscal note is available on the substitute bill.