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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 2558

As Amended by Senate Committee on Education

Brief*

HB 2558 amends several sections of the Charter Schools Act. Major provisions would:

- ! require an estimate of the amount of federal funds to be expended and a description of how the school will operate after federal funding terminates in the application for a charter;
- ! require the State Board of Education specify in writing why a petition is denied and allow that within 30 days the petitioner can make the necessary correction and the State Board will provide reconsideration within 60 days;
- ! require that the appropriate local board specify in writing why a petition is denied and allow that within 30 days the petitioner can make the necessary corrections and the local board will provide reconsideration;
- ! allow for the renewal process to be held in five years instead of every three years;
- ! require a local board to file a statement with the State Board of Education of the reasons why a charter school was discontinued or did not seek renewal; and
- ! change the date from April 1 to April 15 by when the State Board of Education is required to notify approval or disapproval of a charter school application.

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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

HB 2558 was requested by the State Board of Education to change the date by when the State Board was required to notify approval or disapproval of a charter school application. The State Board was the only conferee before the House Committee. The House Committee on Education appointed a Subcommittee to review the Charter School Act and report back to the full Committee any recommendations for amendments. The Subcommittee's report contained all of the amendments.

The Senate Education Committee made a clarifying amendment suggested by the Revisor.

The original fiscal note indicated that the bill would have no fiscal effect.