

SESSION OF 2004

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE SUBSTITUTE
FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 2592**

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Education

Brief*

House Substitute for HB 2592 would provide that if a land transfer is sought between two school districts and the local boards cannot agree, on their own, to the transfer, then the State Board would appoint a mediator. The districts would be required to participate in at least one mediation session. The district requesting the transfer would be responsible for the cost of the mediation. The State Board would be required to maintain a list of qualified mediators. If the mediation fails to result in an agreement, a petition for transfer of territory could be submitted to the State Board for a decision.

Background

The State Board of Education requested the bill and was the only conferee. The House Education Committee adopted substitute language which was provided by the State Board. The Senate Education Committee amended the bill to make it effective upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

The fiscal note indicates that enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the State Board as any costs incurred for mediation would be borne by the school district receiving additional territory.

*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>