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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 61

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Education

Brief*

SB 61 would amend current law regarding local option budgets (LOB) of school districts. This bill would eliminate the requirement of a mandatory election when a school district proposes to increase its local option budget above 30 percent of the state financial aid of the district.

Background

At the hearing on the bill, Senator Vratil and representatives of the Kansas Association of School Boards and Shawnee Mission School District testified in favor of the bill. A representative of the Kansas City School District opposed the bill.

In its fiscal note, the Department of Education estimated that if one-third of the state's school districts were able to increase their local option budget because voter approval was not required, additional state aid (State General Funds) for those larger local option budgets would amount to \$2,650,000.

*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>