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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 284

As Amended by House Committee on
Health and Human Services

Brief*

SB 284, as amended, would change one of the statutes in the Radiologic Technologists Practice Act to allow the Board of Healing Arts to waive the examination and education requirements that must be met to be licensed under the act if the applicant for a license has a current valid certificate by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board, or other recognized national voluntary credentialing bodies, if the Board finds the certificate was issued on the basis of an examination that meets standards at least as stringent as those established by the Board. In addition, the bill would repeal a statute that currently allows the Board of Healing Arts to waive education and examination requirements for individuals who practiced radiologic technology prior to July, 1, 2005, but who do not meet the education and examination requirements set out in the law.

The Act would take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2008, and publication in the statute book.

Background

SB 284 was introduced at the request of a representative of the Board of Healing Arts following recommendations from the Radiologic Technology Council that is advisory to the Board. Representatives of the Board of Healing Arts and the Kansas Society of Radiologic Technologists appeared in

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support of the bill. Following the hearing on the bill, various parties met and came to the conclusion that Section 1 of SB 284 which would have amended the statute setting out the definition of radiologic technology was not needed since any administration of medications by a licensee would be done only on the order of, under the supervision of, or referral from a licensed practitioner. The various interested parties presented and supported the amendment adopted by the Senate Committee.

The House Committee on Health and Human Services amendment delayed the effective date for the bill. The Committee also recommended a technical amendment.

The fiscal note accompanying the bill states the passage of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on the agency. The fiscal note also indicates those radiologic technologists who could have been “grandfathered” under the existing law may experience additional expense in completing educational and examination requirements.