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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2181**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Health and Human Services

**Brief\***

HB 2181 would reduce the continuing education required for a social worker to obtain licensure renewal from 60 hours to 40 hours.

**Background**

HB 2181 was requested by the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board whose representative indicated that the Board had reduced, in rules and regulations, its continuing education requirement for licensure renewal for all of its licensees in 2003. Since the adoption of the rules and regulations, the Board discovered that the continuing education requirement for social workers was established in statute. The Board stated enactment of the bill would bring the statute into compliance with the 2003 regulations. The bill was supported by the Kansas Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers. No opponents were present at the time of the House Committee hearing.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates that passage of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board. The bill would, however, reduce the cost of continuing education for the licensees.

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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>