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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2216

As Recommended by House Committee on
Health and Human Services

Brief*

HB 2216 would amend a statute in the Dental Practices Act that governs license renewal for dentists and dental hygienists by creating a staggered system of renewals. The bill would authorize the Kansas Dental Board to designate the year in which licenses expire and to renew licenses for less than two years in order to create a staggered renewal system—allowing groups of both dentist and hygienist licensees to renew in the same year. Under current law, dental hygienists licensees renew in odd-numbered years and dentists renew in even-numbered years.

Background

HB 2216 was requested by the Kansas Dental Board. The Executive Director of the Board testified that the current biennial renewal process has created an uneven revenue stream and every other year requires the Board to request a Governor's Budget Amendment in order to meet the Board's financial obligations. By FY 2010, the representative indicated, all licensees will be renewing biennially and renewal fee revenues will be evenly balanced each year. There were no opponents present at the House Committee hearing.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates that passage of the bill would create a decrease in revenue for the Board in both FY 2008 and FY 2009. The Dental Board estimates the decrease for FY 2008 of \$68,850.

*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>

Additionally, the State General Fund (SGF) receives 20.0 percent of the fee revenues. The proposed fee change would therefore reduce SGF receipts by \$13,770. For FY 2009, the Board estimates there would be a total decrease of \$140,250 which would reduce SGF receipts by \$28,050. Any fiscal effect resulting from passage of this bill is not accounted for in *The FY 2008 Governor's Budget Report*.