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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 481

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

SB 481 would amend current law to add the hallucinogenic drugs *salvia divinorum* (salvinorum A) and datura stramonium (gypsum weed or jimson weed) to the schedule I of the Kansas Controlled Substances Act. The bill would make it illegal to possess, use, or sell these drugs.

The bill would be effective upon its publication in the *Kansas Register*.

Background

The proponents of the bill included Senator Peggy Mast; Tom Stanton, Kansas County and District Attorneys Association; and Teresa Walters, Emporians for Drug Awareness.

There was no testimony in opposition to the bill.

The House Committee amended the bill regarding gypsum weed or jimson weed and also inserted a technical amendment to include the statute on noxious weeds.

The House Committee of the Whole amended the bill by deleting the House Committee amendment which would have designated the drug datura stramonium (gypsum weed or jimson weed) as a noxious weed.

The fiscal note from the Division of Budget on the original bill states the passage of this bill would have no fiscal effect.

*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>