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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 554

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

SB 554, as amended, would authorize the Kansas State Historical Society and the Department of Administration to develop plans to place a mural in the State Capitol commemorating the United States Supreme Court decision in the 1954 case, *Brown v. Board of Education*.

Under the bill, the plans would be required to be submitted to the Joint Committee on Arts and Cultural Resources by January 1, 2010. Except for costs associated with preparation and submission of plans, no public funds could be used to pay the costs of creating and installing the mural.

Background

Proponents of the bill included Senator Hensley and the Kansas State NAACP. No opponents testified on the bill.

The Senate Committee amended the bill by prohibiting public funds from being used to pay the costs of creating and installing the mural and extended the date to January 1, 2010.

The fiscal note indicates that there would be no fiscal impact on the passage of the bill.

*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>