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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 628

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Education

Brief*

SB 628 would guarantee USD 251 North Lyon County, USD 252 Southern Lyon County, USD 253 Emporia, and USD 284 Chase County 98.0 percent of the adjusted enrollment in the 2007-2008 base school year when calculating the general fund budget of the school district for the 2008-2009 school year. This provision would be applicable for only the 2008-2009 school year.

Background

The bill was introduced to protect school districts' funding that may have dramatic student enrollment declines due to the recent closing of the Tyson plant in Emporia. Proponents of the bill at the Committee hearing were Senator Barnett; superintendents of USD 253, USD 252, and USD 251; and representatives of the Kansas Association of School Boards and Kansas National Education Association. There were no opponents to the bill during the Committee hearing.

According to the fiscal note, the Department of Education estimated the bill would require \$723,951 from the State General Fund for general state aid. The fiscal note also stated the bill would have a negligible effect on supplemental general state aid. Any fiscal effect resulting from the enactment of this bill is not accounted for in *The FY 2009 Governor's Budget Report*.

*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>