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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE  
SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 2421**

As Recommended by Senate Committee on  
Ways and Means

**Brief\***

Senate Sub. for HB 2421 would expand the definition of employee under the Kansas Tort Claims Act to include medical students enrolled at the University of Kansas Medical Center that are in clinical training at the University of Kansas Medical Center or at other health care institutions.

**Background**

At the hearing on the original bill, Representative Pat George; Representative Rocky Fund; Representative Bill Otto; and Major General Tod Bunting, Kansas Adjutant General, appeared as proponents. Also appearing as a proponent was Amy Rose Herrick, Woodbury Financial Services, who testified that while she had been unable to find a group life insurance policy for the Kansas National Guard, an insurance company may write individual life insurance policies for Kansas National Guard members serving on federal active duty in a combat zone.

There were no opponents to the bill.

The Senate Committee on Ways and Means deleted the contents of HB 2421 and inserted contents expanding the definition of employee under the Kansas Tort Claims Act.

Senate Sub. for HB 2421 is identical to SB 700 and would

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have no fiscal impact.

A hearing occurred on SB 700 and Senator Vratil and a representative of the University of Kansas Medical Center spoke in support of the bill. There were no opponents.

The fiscal note on the original bill states that there are currently four Kansas National Guard members' beneficiaries who would qualify for the death benefit for a total expenditure of between \$999,461 and \$1,000,000. If life insurance reimbursements already paid are considered part of the death benefit, expenditures would total \$999,461. If life insurance reimbursements are not considered part of the death benefit, expenditures would total \$1,000,000.