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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 77

As Recommended by Senate Committee on Commerce

Brief*

SB 77 would extend the sunset provisions of the State Use Law Committee until July 1, 2014. Currently statute specifies that the State Use Law Committee will be abolished on July 1, 2009. The bill would extend the committee's operations by five fiscal years.

Background

The state use law requires state agencies, school districts, and regents institutions to purchase products and services which are provided by non-profit vendors that primarily employ persons who are blind or disabled. The State Use Law Committee was created by the Legislature during the 2005 Session. The Committee, which is compromised of nine members, advises the Director of Purchases within the Department of Administration on issues surrounding the purchases by public entities.

The Chairperson of the State Use Law Committee spoke in favor of the bill, saying that progress has been achieved but additional work needs to be done so that units of local government, in particular school districts, have a higher rate of compliance.

There was no opponent testimony against the bill.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates that the bill would not have an effect on the state's revenue or expenditures.

^{*}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