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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 290

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Education

Brief*

SB 290 would amend the professional contract negotiations law to include the Kansas State School for the Blind (KSSB) and the Kansas School for the Deaf (KSSD). The professional contract negotiations law governs how school boards in local districts negotiate contracts with teachers. Under current law, teachers for the KSSB and the KSSD are not part of this law.

Background

Testifying as proponents of the bill were representatives of the Kansas Department of Education and the Kansas National Education Association.

The Division of the Budget fiscal note indicated with enactment of the bill, the KSSB and KSSD teachers would be removed from the Kansas Organization of State Employees (KOSE) bargaining units (under the KOSE Memorandum of Understanding). The Division, however, estimates additional expenditures of approximately \$900,000 if the employees remain part of the KOSE units and the bill is not enacted.

*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>