

SESSION OF 2010

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE  
SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 25**

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

**Brief\***

House Sub. for SB 25 would amend the continuing education requirements for baccalaureate, master, and specialist clinical social workers. On and after January 1, 2011, applicants for first-time licensure renewal would be required to have completed, as part of their continuing education requirements, not less than six hours of social worker safety awareness training. If the applicant has taken the training as part of a previous level of social worker licensure renewal, the applicant would not be required to complete an additional six hours of social worker safety awareness training.

**Background**

The House Committee heard testimony from representatives of the Association of Community Mental Health Centers of Kansas and National Association of Social Workers, Kansas Chapter and from Kansas Area Agencies on Aging Association as proponents of the bill. No one appeared as neutral or as opponents. (NOTE: The House Committee on Long-Term Care took action on House Substitute for SB 43, which contained language similar to the original 2009 SB 31 and HB 2118 which was the original language of House Sub. for SB 25.) The Committee deleted the language of SB 25, a bill concerning a statewide prohibition on smoking, and inserted, with some modifications, the provisions of HB 2118. The Committee recommended House Sub. for SB 25.)

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\*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>

The House Committee of the Whole deleted the provision that would have required that with each subsequent renewal each licensure would be required to have two hours of social worker safety awareness training which may be provided online.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget states that the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board estimated passage of the bill would generate approximately \$2,650 in additional administrative costs.