

SESSION OF 2010

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2535

As Recommended by House Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

HB 2535 would designate a portion of Highway K-61, from the north city limits of Hutchinson to the south city limits of Medora, as the John Neal Memorial Highway.

The bill contains these provisions related to signage:

- Requires the Secretary of Transportation to place signs at intervals to indicate the designation;
- Precludes the signs from being erected until the Secretary has received sufficient moneys from gifts and donations to reimburse the Secretary for the cost of placing the signs and an additional 50 percent of the initial cost to defray future maintenance or replacement of the signs; and
- Allows the Secretary to accept and administer gifts and donations to aid in obtaining and installing suitable signs.

Background

Representatives Michael O'Neal and Janice Pauls testified in favor of the bill. Proponent testimony also was given by a Richard Shank, a representative of the City of Hutchinson and family members, and from John Federico.

No opponents presented testimony.

The portion of highway to be so designated is approximately four miles long, proponents said.

*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 fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the original bill says that the Kansas Department of Transportation reported that the agency would have to receive \$5,220 from donations before installing the signs—\$3,480 for the cost of the signs including installation and an additional 50 percent, \$1,740, for future maintenance. Any fiscal effect resulting from the passage of the bill was not included in amounts recommended in *The FY 2010 Governor's Budget Report*.