

SESSION OF 2011

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 11**

As Recommended by Senate Committee on  
Education

**Brief\***

SB 11 would provide funding to Fort Leavenworth Unified School District 207 to transport grades 10 through 12 students who reside at Fort Leavenworth to Leavenworth High School in Unified School District 453.

**Background**

This bill was introduced by Senator Kelly Kultula.

Supporting the bill, Jack E. Walker, Deputy to the Garrison Commander, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, testified that this bill is important to students who reside on Fort Leavenworth, in Unified School District 453 (Unified School District 207 only has grades K through 9). This legislation will fill a gap in funding that will be created at the end of the 2010-2011 school year when the Department of Defense Educational Activity will discontinue funding for this transportation.

There was no opponent testimony against the bill.

According to the Kansas Department of Education, there are approximately 100 students who live on the Fort Leavenworth military reservation who are eligible for transportation to Unified School District 453. Since these students currently are not counted in the enrollment of Unified School District 207, these students would be added to the

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transportation weighting to Unified School District 207, which would result in approximately \$550 state aid per student in FY 2012. As a result, enactment of SB 11 would result in additional transportation aid from the State General Fund totaling \$55,000 (100 students x \$550). Any fiscal effect associated with SB 11 is not reflected in the *FY 2012 Governor's Budget Report*.