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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2199

As Recommended by House Committee on Education

Brief*

HB 2199 would prohibit the board of education of any school district from providing instruction on human sexuality, unless written consent has been received from a student's parent or legal guardian. The local board of education would be required to provide all instructional materials on human sexuality to any parent or legal guardian making a request to review the materials before giving written consent for that parent's or guardian's student to be provided such instruction.

In addition, each school district's board of education would be required to adopt policies and procedures relating to instruction of human sexuality, including prohibiting the display or distribution of instructional materials on human sexuality to any student whose parent or legal guardian has not given written consent.

Background

Proponents of the bill included Senator Pilcher-Cook, representatives of American Family Action of Kansas and Missouri and the Kansas Catholic Conference, and 11 private citizens.

Opponents of the bill included representatives of the Kansas Association of School Boards, Tecumseh United Methodist Church, Plymouth Congregational Church of Lawrence, Congregation Beth Torah of Overland Park,

^{*}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

Temple Beth Sholom of Topeka, the Mainstream Coalition, Planned Parenthood, College Hill United Methodist Church of Wichita, Plymouth Congregational Church of Wichita, Kansas National Education Association, the American Civil Liberties Union of Kansas, University Congregational Church of Wichita, Congregation Beth Torah of Overland Park, and the Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicated the bill would have no fiscal effect for the state's budget. The fiscal note stated any costs to implement the bill would be borne by local school districts; however, no estimate of those costs was provided.