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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 288

As Amended by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

SB 288, as amended, would allow clubs, drinking establishments, caterers, or temporary permit holders to sell or serve beer or cereal malt beverage in a pitcher containing not more than 64 fluid ounces.

The bill also would clarify that an individual drink would be defined as a beverage containing alcoholic liquor or cereal malt beverage served to a single individual, but which is not intended to be consumed by two or more people. An individual serving would be defined as a beverage containing not more than eight ounces of wine, thirty-two ounces of beer or cereal malt beverage, or four ounces of a single spirit.

The bill would allow the sale of individual drinks at different prices throughout the day. The bill would delete the proportionate pricing requirement in current law as applied to an alcoholic drink or a cereal malt beverage. The bill would amend KSA 41-2722, which would conform the sale of cereal malt beverages to the revised provisions in the bill.

Background

Proponents of the bill included representatives from the Alcoholic Beverage Control and the Kansas Restaurant and Hospitality Association. Opponents included a representative from the Kansas Licensed Beverage Association.

*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 Senate Committee amended the bill to clarify the definition of *individual* drink and conform the statute dealing with the sale of cereal malt beverages to the revisions for the sale of alcoholic beverages in specific sizes and by the individual drink, and different prices during the day.

The fiscal note estimates the costs associated with updating the computer processing system would be a total of $4,800.