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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 2353

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Ways and Means

Brief*

Senate Sub. for HB 2353 would make several changes to the Classroom Learning Assuring Student Success Act (House Sub. for SB 7; law effective on April 2, 2015). In addition, the bill would make appropriations related to some of these changes. Those changes and related appropriations:

- Provide that any student who is not a resident of a school district and is attending the district in the 2014-15 school year would be allowed to attend school in the district in the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years. If transportation for the student is provided in the 2014-15 school year, there is no change in the student's residence, and no requirement to furnish transportation to any additional residence, transportation would be provided in the subsequent years as well. (This provision would apply to the non-resident student and any member of that student's family regardless of whether that family member had attended the non-resident school district in school year 2014-15);

- Prohibit all out of state virtual students from being eligible for state aid;

*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
• Clarify the school finance computation of assessed valuation for any school district experiencing a significant drop in total assessed valuation between school years 2014-15 and 2015-16 (House Sub. for SB 7 allows districts to use the assessed valuation of the district for school year 2015-16 for purposes of determining the amounts of supplemental general state aid and capital outlay state aid for school year 2014-15);
  ○ An appropriation of $1.5 million for each of fiscal years 2016 and 2017 would be made related to this change;

• Clarify references to contractual bond obligations so that the statute refers to the date the obligations were approved by election rather than when such obligations were incurred;

• Add an amount of general state aid in school years 2015-16 and 2016-17 equal to the difference between federal impact aid received in school year 2014-15 and the amount of that aid received in 2015-16, if the latter year is less;
  ○ An appropriation of $3.0 million for each of fiscal years 2016 and 2017 would be made related to this change; and

• Provide for an increase in the demand transfer for capital outlay state aid from the State General Fund in an amount of $1.8 million, which would prevent school districts from being required to pay back funding received under the formula repealed by House Sub. for SB 7.

The bill would become effective upon publication in the Kansas Register, except for provisions related to non-resident and virtual students and general obligation bonds. These provisions would become effective July 1, 2015.
Background

The Senate Committee on Ways and Means removed the contents of HB 2353, that contained a technical amendment to 2014 HB 2506, and inserted the amended version of SB 300. The Senate Committee recommended a substitute bill.

SB 300 was introduced by the Senate Ways and Means Committee to make various amendments to House Sub. for SB 7, which became effective on April 2, 2015. At the hearing on this bill, no one testified.

The Senate Committee made several amendments to SB 300, including the following:

- Clarifying requirements related to non-resident students being allowed to stay in school districts attended in school year 2014-15;
- Adding appropriations related to amendments;
- Prohibiting payment of virtual state aid for out of state virtual students; and
- Making technical amendments.

The Division of the Budget fiscal note on SB 300, as introduced, indicated the bill would have no fiscal effect.