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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 277

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Education

Brief*

SB 277 would clarify the authority of healing arts school clinics to provide healing arts services. The bill would allow schools statutorily exempted from Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) approval requirements to be exempted from the prohibition on the corporate practice of medicine. Current law requires that for a school clinic to be exempted from the prohibition on the corporate practice of medicine, the school must be approved by the KBOR.

The bill would also allow off-site clinics owned or operated by a school in partnership with other providers to engage in the practice of healing arts.

The bill would make technical amendments.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Education at the request of a representative of Cleveland University–Kansas City.

In the Senate Committee hearing, proponent testimony was provided by representatives of Cleveland University–Kansas City and the Kansas Chiropractic Association. Proponents stated the bill would resolve statutory conflicts created by a 2017 amendment to the Kansas Private and Out-of-State Postsecondary Educational Institution Act that

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exempted Cleveland University–Kansas City from the requirement to register with KBOR. Additionally, the proponents said the creation of off-site clinics would allow student interns to provide care to a more diverse patient population. Written-only proponent testimony was provided by a representative of the Kansas Independent College Association.

Written-only neutral testimony was provided by a representative of the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts. No opponent testimony was provided.

The Senate Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts indicates enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect.