

SESSION OF 2004

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2749**

As Amended by Senate Committee on  
Ways and Means

**Brief\***

HB 2749 expands the duties of the Statehouse Art and History Committee to include memorials on the grounds of the Capitol Complex. Currently, there are two separate committees composed of similar membership but created by different statutes to address displays and memorials inside and outside of the Statehouse.

The bill designates the existing Statehouse Art and History Committee as the Statehouse Art, History, and Memorials Committee. The Committee would be composed of:

- ! the Secretary of Administration or the Secretary's designee;
- ! the Director of Legislative Administrative Services; and
- ! the Executive Director of the State Historical Society.

In addition to its current responsibilities, the Committee would be charged with reviewing each proposal for a memorial to be constructed or placed on the grounds of the Capitol and make recommendations regarding the memorials to the Capitol Area Plaza Authority.

Each proposal for a memorial on the grounds would be submitted to the Statehouse Art, History, and Memorials Committee, and before being adopted or rejected by the Committee, would be reviewed by the State Historic Preservation Officer and the Director of Facilities Management who would review and consider the proposal.

The bill also directs the Committee to review and make recommendations concerning the re-establishment of the Statehouse tree identification program, to provide markers showing the donor of the tree, if any, the date of the gift, and the variety of the tree.

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\*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>

## **Background**

The Director of the Division of Facilities Management of the Department of Administration testified in support of the bill.

The House Committee amendments were technical in nature.

The House Committee of the Whole amended the bill to include provisions regarding the re-establishment of the Statehouse tree identification marker program, to include a marker indicating the donor state of the tree.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to delete reference to donor states and to substitute language indicating the marker should identify the donor, if any, of the tree.

No fiscal note was available.