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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1604

As Amended by Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

Brief*

SCR 1604 requests the Kansas State Department of Education to take the lead in a study of the state's public schools with regard to:

- School food programs;
- The availability of other food on the premises;
- The availability of classes on health; and
- Physical activities intended to promote healthy bodies and physical fitness.

The study is to be carried out in cooperation with other state agencies, private foundations, and other private entities.

The resolution asks that suggested improvements to the epidemic of child and adolescent obesity be reported to the Legislature by the beginning of the 2006 Session.

The Senate Committee amendments are technical.

Background

Representatives of the Sunflower Foundation, the Kansas Beverage Foundation, and the Kansas Association of School Boards appeared in

^{*}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

support of the resolution at the time of the committee hearing. It was noted the requested study will align with the efforts of the State Department of Education to implement the federal Child Nutrition Act which became effective on June 30, 2004 and which requires every school district that receives federal funds to establish a local wellness policy by June 30, 2006.

No fiscal note was available at the time of the hearing on SCR 1604.