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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 201

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

SB 201, as amended, would require the United States flag to be displayed at half-staff throughout the State of Kansas in accordance with federal law, on a day designated by the Governor to honor those members of the Kansas National Guard, the Kansas Air National Guard, and Kansas residents serving as members of the United States Armed Forces or Reserve Forces killed in the line of duty. Such day may be designated as the first Thursday of each month.

The bill would require the Governor, on the day designated by the Governor, to publish a list of armed forces personnel who were killed in the line of duty in the preceding month, unless a family member of such person has submitted a request to the Governor not to include the person's name on the list.

Background

Senators Haley and Faust-Goudeau, two of the sponsors of the bill, testified in support of the bill. No opponents testified on the bill.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to include the first Thursday of each month as the day to fly the flag at half-staff, and a requirement that an individual's name be published on a list unless requested by a family member not to be included on the list.

The fiscal note indicated that the passage of SB 201 would have no fiscal effect.

*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>