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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2448

As Amended by House Committee on
Health and Human Services

Brief*

HB 2448, as amended, would allow a pharmacist, or a pharmacy student or intern who is working under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist to administer the influenza vaccine to a person six years of age or older. In addition, the bill would allow the immunizations be provided by the pharmacist to the vaccinee's primary care provider by mail (current law), electronic facsimile, e-mail or other electronic means.

Background

Proponents for the bill included Representative Don Hill, representatives of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment; Kansas State Board of Pharmacy; Kansas Pharmacists Association; Kansas Independent Pharmacy Service Corporation; and Kansas Association of Chain Drug Stores. Opponents to the bill included representatives of Kansas Association of Osteopathic Medicine, Kansas Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics; and Kansas Medical Society. The major concern with the original bill was the bill would have allowed a pharmacist, pharmacy student, or intern who is working under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist to administer all other immunizations to people 12 years of age or older, rather than only persons 18 or older. In addition, the Kansas Medical Society asked that clarification be added that the pharmacy student or intern be working under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist. This language

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was added by the House Committee as well as the deletion of the provision providing for the immunization of people 12 years of age or older.

The fiscal note indicates that the Board of Pharmacy believes that there would be no fiscal effect as a result of enactment of HB 2448.