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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2170

As Recommended by House Committee on
Health and Human Services

Brief*

HB 2170 would designate the first full week of February as Kansas Burn Awareness Week.

Kansas Burn Awareness Week

The bill would state that designating Kansas Burn Awareness Week as the first full week in February would accomplish the following:

- Commemorate a week of remembrance for all who have lost their lives or have been injured as a result of a burn;
- Raise awareness for the seriousness of accidental burn injuries and fatalities in Kansas; and
- Educate the public on effective preventative measures to avoid accidental burn injuries or fatalities.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Health and Human Services at the request of Representative Essex.

*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 <https://klrd.gov/>

House Committee on Health and Human Services

In the House Committee hearing, the Medical Director for the Burnett Burn Center, University of Kansas Health System, provided **proponent** testimony, generally stating that the week would align with the American Burn Association's Burn Awareness week and would honor those who have lost their life or suffered severe burn injuries, raise awareness of accidental burn injuries and fatalities, and educate the public on effective preventative measures to avoid accidental burn injuries or fatalities.

No other testimony was provided.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the State Fire Marshal indicates that enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on its operations.

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