

SESSION OF 2025

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE
BILL NO. 193**

As Amended by House Committee on Health
and Human Services

Brief*

Sub. for SB 193, as amended, would amend the Statewide Opioid Antagonist Protocol (Protocol) by exempting law enforcement agencies from the Protocol's requirement to utilize a physician medical director or licensed pharmacist unless the agency was electing to use an emergency opioid antagonist dispensed or furnished pursuant to the Protocol. [Note: The Protocol was established by 2017 HB 2217.]

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare at the request of a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Kansas Sheriffs Association.

Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

In the Senate Committee hearing, a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Kansas Sheriffs Association provided **proponent** testimony, stating generally that with the availability of naloxone as an over-the-counter item, law

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enforcement agencies of all sizes have an extra expense of utilizing a medical director or pharmacist under the Protocol. By eliminating that requirement, law enforcement agencies of all sizes may be able to procure and readily use emergency opioid antagonists.

No other testimony was provided.

The Senate Committee removed the amendments made in the bill as introduced, added language specifically exempting a law enforcement agency from the Protocol's requirement to use a physician medical director or a licensed pharmacist, and passed a substitute bill.

House Committee on Health and Human Services

In the House Committee hearing, a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Kansas Sheriffs Association provided **proponent** testimony, which mirrored the testimony provided during the Senate Committee hearing.

No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee amended the bill to take effect upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, the State Board of Pharmacy states the bill would have no fiscal effect.

First responder; law enforcement officer; Opioid Antagonist Protocol; Board of Pharmacy