

SESSION OF 2026

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 445

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

SB 445 would require, at the request of a Kansas law enforcement agency to the Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Advisory Committee, the Superintendent of the Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP), and the Director of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI), to make temporary personnel and other assistance available to such agency to support funeral services in honor of law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Transportation.

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In the Senate Committee hearing, the Director of the KBI; the Chief of the Hays Police Department representing the Kansas Chiefs of Police, Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Kansas Sheriffs Association; and the KHP Line of Duty Death Coordinator for the state offered **proponent** testimony. Proponents generally stated the bill would help the KBI and KHP honor fallen officers, support the officers' families, and assist the fallen officers' agencies and help ensure current practices continue.

*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/>

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by a representative of Kansas State Lodge Fraternal Order of Police.

No other testimony was provided.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the KBI and KHP indicate enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the operations of either agency.

Transportation; Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Advisory Committee; Kansas Highway Patrol; Kansas Bureau of Investigation; funeral services assistance