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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2490**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Health and Human Services

**Brief\***

HB 2490 would allow Washburn University to offer a doctor of nursing practice (DNP) degree as one of its academic programs.

**Background**

The president of Washburn University appeared as a proponent for the bill. There was no opposing or neutral testimony regarding the bill.

In order to receive State General Fund money, Washburn University is allowed to offer only those courses outlined in statute. According to the Washburn University president, currently, the University of Kansas and Wichita State University offer DNP degrees. Washburn would be the third institution in the state to offer this graduate level program.

According to the fiscal note submitted by the Division of Budget, this bill would have no fiscal impact because the amount of the state grant to Washburn University would not necessarily increase as a result of adding this graduate program.

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\*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>