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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2269

As Amended by House Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

HB 2269 would designate a portion of K-92, from the junction of K-92 and 94th Street in Jefferson County south to the northern boundary of McLouth, as the John Bower Memorial Highway.

The bill also would remove from that portion of K-92 the designation of the 95th Division, The Iron Men of Metz.

The bill would establish these provisions related to signage for the John Bower Memorial Highway:

- Require the Secretary of Transportation to place suitable signs to indicate the designation;
- Preclude the signs from being erected until the Secretary has received sufficient moneys from gifts and donations to reimburse the Secretary for the cost of placing the signs and an additional 50 percent of the initial cost to defray future maintenance or replacement of the signs; and
- Allow the Secretary to accept and administer gifts and donations to aid in obtaining and installing suitable signs.

*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>

Background

Representative Gonzalez and two private citizens testified in support of the bill. They stated Mr. Bower served 24 years in the House of Representatives, beginning in 1952, and was for many years chairperson of the Education Committee. He died in 2012 at age 100.

The House Committee on Transportation amended the bill to correct the spelling of Mr. Bower's name.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget states the Kansas Department of Transportation reported the agency would need to receive \$2,700 from donations before installing the signs for the John Bower Memorial Highway: \$1,800 for the cost of a set of signs including installation and an additional 50 percent, \$900, for future maintenance. The agency also reported the cost for two additional signs for the 95th Division, The Iron Men of Metz Highway would be \$2,080. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*.