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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2527

As Amended by House Committee on Veterans,
Military and Homeland Security

Brief*

HB 2527 would require the board of education of each unified school district to adopt a policy on school safety and security in order to protect students, teachers and other school employees on school property, in a school vehicle, or at a school-sponsored activity or event. Additionally, the bill would require the school security officer designated as a school law enforcement officer, or in the absence of a school security officer, the superintendent or the superintendent's designee, to meet annually with emergency medical responders or first responders and law enforcement agencies of the city or county to discuss the school safety and security policy of the unified district.

Background

The bill was introduced at the request of the House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security. Testifying in support of the bill was Representative Dierks. Written testimony supporting the bill was provided by a representative of the Salina Public Schools. Neutral testimony was provided by representatives of the Kansas Association of School Boards and the Wichita Public Schools. There were no opponents to the bill.

The Committee amended the bill to replace "principal or principal's designee" with "superintendent or superintendent's designee."

*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>

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the bill would not have any fiscal effect on the unified school districts.