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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 27

As Amended by Senate Committee on Ways
and Means

Brief*

SB 27 would amend the definition of "qualified student" for the Military Service Scholarship Program, removing specifically named military engagements and specific countries, and including any service in international waters or on foreign soil in support of military operations.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Legislative Educational Planning Committee as part of the Kansas Board of Regents legislative package. A representative of the Kansas Board of Regents testified in support of the bill using general eligibility definitions that will allow scholarships to be available in the future to students who may be in combat operations outside of the specific countries and operations listed in current law.

There was no opponent testimony.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to clarify the supporting documentation necessary for the Board of Regents to determine eligibility.

The fiscal note from Division of the Budget on the original bill states the bill would open the scholarship to more individuals, but the program is not at full capacity and has funding available for additional scholarships.

*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>