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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 112**

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

Brief*

House Sub. for SB 112 would modify statutory provisions related to professional credentialing for military service members and military spouses. The bill would insert a time frame in continuing law that requires any professional licensing body, with the exception of those regulating the legal profession, to issue a license, registration, or certification by endorsement, reinstatement, or reciprocity to a military service member or nonresident military spouse. Under the bill, the licensing body would be required to issue the license within 60 days after a complete application is submitted. Current law does not specify a time frame. Additionally, the bill would extend the amount of time a service member or military spouse may have a license on a probationary basis from three months to six months for those instances when the licensing body does not have licensure, registration, or certification by endorsement, reinstatement, or reciprocity and the service member or military spouse meets certain criteria. The bill also would permit a licensing body to grant licensure to any person who meets the requirements under this section but was separated from the military under less than honorable conditions.

Background

SB 112, as introduced, pertained to officer discretion in issuing citations for misdemeanor violations of the Kansas

*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>

Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism laws. These provisions were amended into SB 113 by the House Committee on Judiciary.

The House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security held an informational hearing on professional licensure by reciprocity for military families in Kansas. A representative of the Department of Defense Midwest Regional Office provided informational testimony about this issue.

Following discussion regarding the difficulties for military spouses to receive the credentialing to continue their professions after a permanent change of duty station assigning the service member to Kansas or the difficulties for service members to receive the credentialing to continue their professions after being discharged from the armed forces, the House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security removed the contents of SB 112 and inserted the provisions of a Revisor's draft into a substitute bill.

There is no fiscal note for the substitute bill.