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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 271

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

SB 271 would add forage cutter and combine header to combine in the items used in custom harvesting operations that, when transported using a truck and trailer combination or other specified combination, could exceed the general vehicle combination length limit of 65 feet but could not exceed an overall length of 75 feet, exclusive of front and rear overhang.

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation. In a hearing before the Senate Committee on Transportation, a representative of U.S. Custom Harvesters, Inc. (USCHI), stated the bill would allow easier transport of custom harvester equipment through the state and across state lines. An Assistant Secretary for the Kansas Department of Agriculture also testified in support of the bill, stating the bill would align state and federal regulations with regard to total vehicle length for hauling combines and forage harvesting equipment. There was no other testimony.

The Senate Committee added a clarifying amendment requested by USCHI.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget states that according to the Kansas Department of Transportation, the provisions would have no fiscal effect.

*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>