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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2541

As Recommended by House Committee on
Taxation

Brief*

HB 2541 would grant the authority to impose certain credit card surcharges on persons paying fees, tuition, or other charges to certain not-for-profit private post-secondary educational institutions. Similar authority exists under current law for state agencies, Board of Regents institutions, and community and technical colleges.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Taxation at the request of Representative Eplee on behalf of himself and Representatives French and Toplikar.

In the House Committee hearing on February 19, 2020, a representative of the Kansas Independent College Association appeared as a proponent, stating the enactment of the bill would remove a competitive imbalance against Kansas' in-state private colleges. Written-only testimony in support of the bill was submitted by representatives of Ottawa University and McPherson College. No other testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Board of Regents indicates enactment of the bill would not have any fiscal effect on state revenues or expenditures.

*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>