

SESSION OF 2020

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 377

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

SB 377, as amended, would designate a portion of K-7 in Johnson County as the Senator Bud Burke Memorial Highway. The portion of K-7 to be so designated would be between K-10 and West Santa Fe Street.

The Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) would be required to place suitable signs to indicate the designations. Under continuing law, the Secretary is precluded from placing these signs until the Secretary has received sufficient moneys from gifts and donations to reimburse the Secretary for the cost of placing such signs, plus an additional 50.0 percent of the initial cost to defray future maintenance or replacement of the signs. The Secretary may accept and administer gifts and donations to aid in obtaining and installing suitable signs.

Background

The bill was introduced by Senator Lynn and 20 additional senators.

In the Senate Committee on Transportation hearing, Senator Lynn and a private citizen representing himself and 25 others provided proponent testimony. They provided information on Senator Burke's service to the state and nation. No opponent testimony was provided.

*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>

A representative of the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) provided neutral testimony and requested consideration of an amendment to remove a nickname and quotation marks from the designation.

Senator Burke served in the Kansas House of Representatives in 1973 and 1974 and in the Kansas Senate from 1975 through 1996. He was President of the Kansas Senate from 1989 to 1996 and before that had served as Majority Leader and Chairman of the Tax Committee. According to the testimony, his achievements in public service also included a term as president of the National Conference of State Legislatures.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to change the designation of “Senator Paul ‘Bud’ Burke Memorial Highway” to “Senator Bud Burke Memorial Highway.”

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill as introduced, KDOT indicates it is statutorily required by KSA 68-10,114 to receive a total of \$5,355 in gifts and donations to manufacture, install, and conduct maintenance on two signs along K-7 to designate that portion of K-7 as the Senator Paul “Bud” Burke Memorial Highway. KDOT indicates the bill would require an increase of \$3,570 in expenditure limitation for the agency operations account in FY 2021 to manufacture and install the signs. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor’s Budget Report*.