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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2745

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

HB 2745, as amended, would prohibit State General Fund dollars from being used for remedial courses at state universities, but would not prohibit the courses from being provided with funding from other sources.

Also, the bill would reduce both the number of freshman class admissions or resident transfer admissions to the state universities allowed as exceptions to the minimum admissions standards from 10.0 percent to 5.0 percent. Persons who are in the military service would be given preference when determining which students to admit under the exception.

Background

Representative Mike O'Neal spoke in favor of the bill. There were no opponents.

The House Committee of the Whole amended the bill to give those in military service preference when determining which students to admit under the exception.

The fiscal note provided by the Division of the Budget indicates, if the universities were to stop providing remedial courses, the estimated tuition and fees revenue lost would be \$3.3 million, however, the estimated costs of providing the courses would be reduced by \$1.5 million, for a net reduction in revenues of \$1.8 million. The estimated loss in tuition from the reduction in the exception rate from 10.0 percent to 5.0 percent is approximately \$525,252.

^{*}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