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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 298**

As Recommended by Senate Committee on  
Transportation

**Brief\***

SB 298 would amend the weight limitation for certain trucks – trucks specifically designed, equipped, and used exclusively for garbage, refuse, or solid waste disposal when loaded with garbage, refuse, or waste, and trucks (that are not truck tractors) mounted with a fertilizer spreader – to 60,000 pounds for trucks with three axles and to 40,000 pounds for trucks with two axles, regardless of spacing between axles.

**Background**

The bill was requested by a representative of the National Solid Wastes Management Association, who also testified in support of the bill. Proponent testimony also was received from the president of a private hauling company. No opponent testimony was presented.

Under general gross weight limits, a two-axle vehicle has a weight limit of 34,000 pounds to 40,000 pounds and a three-axle vehicle has a weight limit of 34,000 to 60,000 pounds, depending on the axle distances.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the bill would have no fiscal effect on the state budget.

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\*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>