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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2181

As Recommended by House Committee on Education

Brief*

HB 2181 would authorize a licensing body to waive educational requirements towards certification or licensure for any former military service member who completes a distance education course through an accredited educational institution.

The courses would be required to be substantially equivalent to the standards required for certification or licensure. Additionally, each licensing body would be permitted to adopt rules and regulations necessary for implementation of the waiver. The waiver would not apply to the practice of law or the regulation of attorneys.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Veterans, Military and Homeland Security Committee. Representative Goico appeared as a proponent on the bill. There were no opponents. A representative from the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts provided neutral written testimony at the House Education Committee hearing.

The fiscal note from the Division of the Budget indicated the Board of Regents could absorb any additional costs resulting from the passage of the bill. The Board of Pharmacy, the Board of Technical Professions, and the Board of Accountancy reported the bill would have no fiscal effect on their agencies.

^{*}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