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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136

As Recommended by House Committee on Education

Brief*

House Sub. for SB 136 would repeal statutes that provide due process procedures for contract termination for all teachers or instructors in any technical or community college and the Institute of Technology at Washburn University. Related to these same institutions, the bill would require enrollment and participation in good faith in the Everify program. "Good faith" would be defined as complying with "honesty and intent."

Background

SB 136 was introduced in the Senate Education Committee during the 2015 Legislative Session. SB 136, as amended, would have revised the Professional Negotiations Act for educators in local school districts. (Some of the provisions of SB 136 were placed in Senate Sub. for HB 2353 and passed during the 2015 Session.)

The House Committee on Education deleted the contents of SB 136 and placed the contents of HB 2531 into it, as a substitute bill. In addition, the House Committee added a requirement the named institutions enroll and participate in good faith in the E-verify program.

^{*}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

HB 2531

HB 2531 was introduced by the House Committee on Education. At the House Committee hearing on the bill, proponents included representatives of the Kansas Association of Community College Trustees, Garden City Community College, and the Salina Area Technical College. Opponents included professors at Johnson County and Hutchinson community colleges, a representative of Kansas Families for Education, and two educators.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect for the Kansas Board of Regents or the postsecondary institutions referenced in the bill.

There was no fiscal note for the substitute bill.