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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5010

As Amended by House Committee on Education

Brief*

HCR 5010 would create a statewide vote on a constitutional amendment to clarify that it is the Kansas Legislature that has the authority to "make suitable provision for finance of the educational interests of the state in an equitable manner and in such amounts as may be determined by the legislature."

Background

Speaker Michael O'Neal introduced this House Concurrent Resolution to clarify Article 6 of Section 6 of the *Kansas Constitution*. There were no other proponents of the resolution. Opponents included representatives of the Kansas Association of School Boards; Kansas Families for Education; and Kansas City, Kansas, School District.

The House Education Committee amended the bill by changing the proposed language in the constitutional amendment to clarify that it is the Kansas Legislature that has the authority to "make suitable provision for finance of the educational interests of the state in an equitable manner and in such amounts as may be determined by the legislature."

There was no Division of Budget fiscal note on the resolution.

^{*}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