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## SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5022

As Amended by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

## **Brief\***

HCR 5022 would urge Congress to propose the regulation freedom amendment to the *U.S. Constitution*. The proposed language of the regulation freedom amendment would be as follows:

Whenever one quarter of the members of the United States House of Representatives or the United States Senate transmits to the President their written declaration of opposition to a proposed federal regulation, it shall require a majority vote of the House of Representatives and the Senate to adopt that regulation.

The resolution specifies that the Kansas Secretary of State would be required to send an enrolled copy of the resolution to each member of the Kansas congressional delegation and work with Kansas' legislative leaders to send a copy to the legislative leaders in other states, including the speaker of the house and the president of the senate of every state legislature in the United States.

## **Background**

At the hearing before the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs, Representative Johnson and

<sup>\*</sup>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

Representative Mast, along with representatives of the Madison Coalition, the Kansas Automobile Dealers Association, and the Kansas Bankers Association appeared in support of the concurrent resolution. Written testimony in support of the resolution was submitted by representatives of the Kansas Chamber of Commerce; the Kansas Grain and Feed Association, the Kansas Agribusiness Retailers Association, the Kansas Cooperative Council; the Kansas Farm Bureau; and Renew Kansas Association. There was no neutral or opponent testimony on the resolution.

The House Committee amended the concurrent resolution to require the Secretary of State send an enrolled copy of the resolution to each member of the Kansas congressional delegation and work with legislative leaders to send a copy to the legislative leaders in other states. Previously, the concurrent resolution required the Secretary of State send an enrolled copy of the resolution to each member of Congress rather than only to members of the Kansas congressional delegation.