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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 2257

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

Sub. for HB 2257 would expand eligibility to purchase license plate decals indicating certain military honors to those who have received an Army of Occupation Medal or Navy Occupation Service Medal upon providing satisfactory proof of receiving such medal to the Director of Vehicles.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Veterans and Military at the request of Representative Garber. In the House Committee hearing, an Army of Occupation Medal recipient testified in support of the bill. Representative Garber and the Sabetha Memorial Post 7285 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars provided written-only testimony in support of the bill. No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee recommended removal of the contents of HB 2257 and creation of a substitute bill that incorporates language authorizing license plate decals for those who have been awarded the Army of Occupation Medal or Navy Occupation Service Medal. The original bill would have authorized the issuance of Army of Occupation Medal and Navy Occupation Service Medal license plates to medal recipients.

^{*}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

The House Committee of the Whole adopted a technical amendment to clarify satisfactory proof of receiving such a medal would be required to request the decal.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the original bill, the Department of Revenue (Department) indicates enactment of the bill could generate \$72,300 in license plate fee revenue to be deposited into the State Highway Fund. The Department estimates 1,700 plates would be registered for automobiles and 800 for motorcycles, with an estimated cost of production of \$14,751. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor's Budget Report*. A fiscal note was not immediately available for the substitute bill.