

SESSION OF 2019

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 53**

As Recommended by Senate Committee on  
Federal and State Affairs

**Brief\***

SB 53 would designate the official Kansas red wine grape as chambourcin, and the official Kansas white wine grape as vigoles.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs at the request of Senators Holland, Alley, Baumgardner, Braun, Francisco, Haley, Lynn, McGinn, and Ware.

During the Senate Committee hearing, representatives of the Kansas Grape Growers and Winemakers Association and the Kansas Viticulture & Farm Winery Association testified in support of the bill. Proponents testified both grape varieties have long been grown in Kansas and are still being grown across the state.

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism.

No other testimony was provided.

The Senate Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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\*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>

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Department of Agriculture and the Secretary of State indicate enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on either agency.