

SESSION OF 2005

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2374**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Federal and State Affairs

**Brief\***

HB 2374 would create a task force to promote adoption.

The 11-member task force would be appointed as follows: eight members appointed by House and Senate leadership of which two would be from the public and six from the Legislature; and three appointed by the Governor. Forty-five days would be allowed for appointment of members after the effective date of the act.

The task force would be charged with providing statewide policy recommendations encouraging adoption. The task force would be required to conduct an analysis of adoption in Kansas based upon specific questions dealing with tax credits and issues involved in decisions of birth parents when faced with unintended pregnancy.

The task force would be required to submit a final report to the Legislature and to the Governor by February 15, 2006.

The effective date of the act would be upon its publication in the *Kansas Register*.

**Background**

Representative O'Malley and others sponsored the bill. He testified before the Committee. Written testimony in support of the bill was submitted by representatives of the Kansas Children's Services League and the Kansas Catholic Conference. There was no testimony in opposition to the bill.

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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>

The House Committee amended the bill to allow 45 days for the task force to be appointed, changed the submission of the final report date, and changed the effective date of the bill.

No fiscal note was available at the time the bill was passed.