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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Chairman Highland and members of the House Education Committee  
From: Nick Myers, Assistant Revisor of Statutes  
Date: February 10, 2016  
Subject: House Bill 2622

House Bill 2622 makes amendments to certain administrative statutes pertaining to the Board of Regents.

Section 1 amends K.S.A. 72-4530 which relates to the processing and issuance of GED credentials. HB 2622 increases the statutory cap that can be charged by the Board of Regents for issuance or duplication of GED credentials from \$15 to \$25.

Sections 2 through 5 amend the Private and Out-of-State Postsecondary Educational Institution Act. As the name of the act suggests, the act applies to private and out-of-state postsecondary institutions operating in the state.

HB 2622 repeals two statutory provisions, K.S.A. 74-32,166 and 74-32,176.

- K.S.A. 74-32,166 created an advisory commission. The advisory commission's charge was to "recommend to the state board such policies, minimum standards and rules and regulations that the commission deems necessary for administering the provisions of this act."
- K.S.A. 74-32,176 provides statutory limits on amounts that private and out-of-state postsecondary educational institutions can collect prior to students receiving classroom instruction. No amount greater than \$350 can be collected from a student more than 30 days prior to the student receiving classroom instruction and no more than \$150 can be retained if the student does not enter the institution. For distance education programs, no amount greater than \$200 can be retained prior to the first submission of a lesson and not more than \$75 can be retained if a student does not enter the distance education program.

Section 3 amends K.S.A. 74-32,165 and removes a statutory reference to the advisory commission that is being repealed by the bill.

Section 4 amends K.S.A. 74-32,181 by making changes to certain administrative fees that can be collected from out-of-state and private postsecondary institutions subject to this act. HB 2622 reduces the minimum fees that must be collected for application renewals and branch campus site fee renewals and increases the fees for late submissions of renewal applications. HB 2622 also changes the deadline to submit such renewal applications. Under the bill, a renewal application will be deemed late if an applicant fails to submit a completed renewal application, including all required documentation, information and fees, at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the institution's certificate of approval.

