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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Masterson and members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee

From: Jill A. Wolters, First Assistant Revisor

Date: March 8, 2016

Subject: **SB 463, Abolishing the expanded lottery act revenues fund, the Kansas endowment for youth fund, the children's initiative fund, the state economic development initiatives fund, Kansas economic opportunity initiatives fund; all revenues into such funds go into the state general fund; other transfers to the state general fund; duties of Kansas children's cabinet.**

Pursuant to SB463, on and after July 1, 2017, the expanded lottery act revenues fund, the Kansas endowment for youth fund, the children's initiative fund, the state economic development initiatives fund and the Kansas economic opportunity initiatives fund (currently not in use) would be abolished. Liabilities of such funds would be imposed on the state general fund. Moneys currently being deposited in such special revenue funds would be deposited in the state general fund. Statutory transfers from such funds would be repealed. Generally, funds of state agencies receiving such transfers would request funds during the appropriation process as necessary. (There is a fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2018 transfer of \$2,000,000 from the state general fund to the state housing trust fund.) The bill would not affect appropriations from such special revenue funds for fiscal year 2017 that were enacted in 2015 House Sub. for SB112.

Further, the children's cabinet shall advise the governor and the legislature regarding the uses of the moneys allocated and expended on children and youth programs, projects, improvements, services and other purposes directly or indirectly beneficial to the physical and mental health, welfare, safety and overall well-being of children in Kansas. Currently, the moneys in the children's initiative fund shall be used for such programs, projects, improvements and services. Annually, on or before September 1, the Kansas children's cabinet shall make recommendations regarding children and youth programs and services and appropriations therefor in an amount not exceed \$50,000,000 for any one fiscal year. Such recommendations shall be submitted to the legislative budget committee, house committee on appropriations, the senate committee on ways and means and the governor for review and consideration.

Finally, the bill stops the current crediting of the sales and compensating use tax to the state highway fund. On July 1, 2017, such amounts would be credited to the state general fund.