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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Waymaster and members of the House Appropriations Committee

From: Zach Fridell, Assistant Revisor

Date: Feb. 1, 2017

Subject: HB 2109, authorizing the board of regents to sell three pieces of property owned by Kansas State University, and to transfer one piece of property owned by Wichita State University

This bill authorizes the sale and conveyance of four pieces of university-owned property, three by Kansas State University and one by Wichita State University.

Section 1 of the bill authorizes the Board of Regents to sell 7.5 acres located near Marlatt Park in Manhattan. Originally part of a 160-acres plot donated by the Marlatt family in 1940, the property was divided by the creation of Seth Childs Road in 1965, leaving 7.5 acres on the east side of the highway. The proceeds from the sale of this property would be deposited in the Marlatt memorial park restricted use account of Kansas State University.

Section 2 authorizes the sale of 0.838 acres near the Kansas Department of Agriculture. The proceeds from the sale of this property would be deposited in the restricted fees account of Kansas State University.

Section 3 authorizes the sale of property that is the current location of the Purebred Beef Unit. The Department of Homeland Security requested the Purebred Beef Unit be moved based on security concerns regarding the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility. The proceeds from the sale of this property would be deposited in the restricted fees account of Kansas State University.

Section 4 authorizes an exchange and conveyance of property with Wichita State University. Wichita State would convey to Westar a piece of land for Westar to use to build an enlarged substation. In exchange, Wichita State would receive a separate portion of land, along with other considerations as negotiated by the parties.

The four property transfers would be exempt from statutory requirements regarding surplus property sale guidelines. HB 2109 would take effect upon publication in the statute book.