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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Aurand
Members of the House Committee on Education

From: Jason B. Long, Senior Assistant Revisor

Date: February 1, 2017

Subject: HB 2164 – Cowley County Community College Board of Trustees
additional member plan.

House Bill No. 2164 (HB 2164) creates an additional member plan for the Board of Trustees for Cowley County Community College (Board). The plan would allow for the election of an additional member to the existing Board. Such additional member is to be elected by the voters of Sumner County. The election of the additional member is to be in accordance with existing law concerning the election of Board members.

The additional member from Sumner County will continue to be elected by the voters of Sumner County so long as Sumner County provides financial support for the benefit of Cowley County Community College. It is understood that the financial support is primary for the construction and operation of a facility to be located in Sumner County. If Sumner County discontinues financial support, then the additional member plan shall be discontinued by the Board. In that event, no new additional member would be elected and the additional member of the Board would serve out the rest of such member's term.

HB 2164 also amends K.S.A. 71-1403 to include the additional member plan as an exception to the general membership requirements for board of trustees of community colleges.

If enacted HB 2164 would become effective on publication in the Kansas Register.