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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairwoman Humphries and members of the House Higher Education Budget Committee

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 25, 2021

Subject: House Bill 2425, Requiring a member of the state board of regents to be a student member nominated by the students' advisory committee.

House Bill 2425 would require that one of the nine members of the State Board of Regents (Board) be a student currently enrolled at a state educational institution, defined as the University of Kansas, Kansas State University, Wichita State University, Emporia State University, Pittsburg State University and Fort Hays State University.

The student member would be nominated by the Board's students' advisory committee and would be required to be appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate in the same manner as other members. The student member would hold office for a term of two years or until the student was no longer enrolled in a state educational institution. After that time, the replacement member would be selected in the same manner.

The bill also amends the responsibilities of the students' advisory committee to require the committee to nominate a student enrolled in a state educational institution to serve as a member of board. The committee will be required to select such student nominee on a rotating basis from all state educational institutions.

In both sections 1 and 2, the bill strikes outdated language related to the establishment of the board and the students' advisory committee.

The bill would go into effect on July 1, 2021.