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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Olson
Members of the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 18, 2022

Subject: HB 2462 – Membership of the Joint Committee on State-Tribal Relations.

House Bill No. 2462 (HB 2462) would amend K.S.A. 46-2303 regarding the membership of the Joint Committee on State-Tribal Relations (Joint Committee). The Joint Committee is primarily charged with reviewing gaming compacts that have been negotiated and agreed to by the Governor and one of the Native American tribes. Upon conclusion of its review, the Joint Committee then makes a recommendation either to the Governor to conduct further negotiations on particular subjects within the compact, or to the Legislature to ratify or reject the compact.

Membership of the Joint Committee is currently restricted to those members of the Legislature who are appointed to the standing committees on federal and state affairs, judiciary or taxation of either house. HB 2462 would strike this restriction and allow any member of the Legislature to be appointed to the Joint Committee.

HB 2462 passed on final action in the House of Representatives on a vote of 118-0.

If enacted, HB 2462 would become effective on July 1, 2022.