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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Education

From: Kansas Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 7, 2023

Subject: HB 2060—Special Education and Related Services Funding Task Force

House Bill 2060 would establish the special education and related services funding task force. The task force would have the following duties:

- Study and make recommendations for changes in the existing formula for funding special education and related services;
- Conduct hearings and receive and consider suggestions from teachers, parents, the
 department of education, the state board of education, other governmental officers and
 agencies and the general public concerning special education and related services
 funding; and
- Make and submit reports to the legislature on the work and recommendations of the task force, including recommendations for legislative changes, to be submitted on or before January 14 of each year.

The task force would have 10 members as follows:

- Two members appointed by the speaker of the house;
- Two members appointed by the president of the senate;
- One member appointed by the minority leader of the house;
- One member appointed by the minority leader of the senate;
- One member appointed by the state board of education;
- Two members appointed by the state department of education who are professionals in the field of special education and related services; and



 One member who is a parent of a student who receives special education and related services appointed by the speaker of the house in odd numbered years and by the president of the senate in even numbered years.

Members of the task force would be appointed on or before July 1, 2023. The speaker would designate the member who would call the first meeting of the task force and the members of the task force would then select the chairperson and vice-chairperson. HB 2060 authorizes members of the task force to paid allowances for expenses, mileage and subsistence if approved by the legislative coordinating council.

Staff from the office of revisor of statues, Kansas legislative research department and legislative administrative services would be required to assist the task force.

HB 2060 would also repeal K.S.A. 72-3441 that previously established a special education and related services task force that ceased to exist per statute on June 30, 2011.

The bill would take effect upon publication in the Kansas register.