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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Chairman Thomas  
Members of the House Committee on Education

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 13, 2024

Subject: HB 2658 – Authorizing school districts to place students in a virtual school when returning from a maximum-length expulsion.

House Bill No. 2658 (HB 2658) would authorize school districts to place a student in a virtual school after such student returns from expulsion. Currently, such students may return to the regular classroom of the school they attended prior to the expulsion. The bill would apply to the following types of expulsion:

- Expulsion for not less than one year under K.S.A. 72-6132 for possession of a weapon; and
- Expulsion for 186 days under K.S.A. 72-6114 for behavior that endangered others, was violent, threatened a terroristic attack, or involved possession of a weapon.

The school district would be required to provide the student with the same due process before placing the student in virtual school as is afforded before expelling the student. Both decisions may be the subject of the same due process proceedings.

HB 2658 also requires the district to assist the student in enrolling in a virtual school operated by another district if the student’s home district does not operate a virtual school.

If enacted, HB 2658 would become effective on July 1, 2024.