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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Education

From: Kansas Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 7, 2023

Subject: HB 2080—Authorizing virtual statewide assessments for virtual students

House Bill 2080 as amended by House Committee would authorize any full-time virtual student that is required to take a statewide assessment to do so in a virtual setting. The bill would provide certain requirements for such virtual assessments including:

- Assessments would be provided at an assigned date and time;
- Assessments would be administered during a synchronous assessment by a virtual school employee;
- Assessments would be the same assessments administered to students enrolled in a virtual school but taking the assessment in person;
- The student would be monitored via camera;
- The device used by the student would have to have browser lockdown software enabled;
- The student would not be allowed to exit the assessment platform until instructed to do so; and
- The completed assessment would be verified by the assessment administrator.

Additionally, HB 2080 would require that any costs incurred by the state department of education for the implementation of the requirements of the bill would be paid from the department's funds for administering all statewide assessments.

The bill would take effect on July 1 upon publication in the statute book.