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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Agriculture

From: Kyle Hamilton, Assistant Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 12, 2018

Subject: Bill Brief on HB 2552

HB 2552 would increase the number of first-year K-State veterinary students that could enter into a program agreement with the university.

According to the current language in subsection (c), subject to appropriations, each student entering into a program agreement with K-State's college of veterinary medicine shall receive a loan in the amount of \$20,000 per year for not more than four years for tuition and other expenses incurred by the student in pursuing a veterinary medicine degree. Upon satisfaction of the requirements found in the agreement and in subsection (d), the loans provided shall be deemed to be satisfied and forgiven.

Currently, K-State's college of veterinary medicine may enter into this type of program agreement with up to five first-year veterinary students per year. In subsection (b), on line 18 of the bill, the language has been amended to allow the college of veterinary medicine to enter into program agreements with up to 20, but no less than five first-year veterinary students per year.

HB 2552 would become effective upon publication in the statute book.