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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Senate Committee on Ways and Means  
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes  
Date: April 7, 2021  
Subject: Bill Brief – HB 2363

HB 2363, as amended by the House Committee on Transportation and Public Safety Budget, increases the maximum rate paid to appointed counsel.

Current law in K.S.A. 22-4507 provides that appointed counsel shall be compensated at the rate of \$80 per hour unless the chief judge in a judicial district negotiates a lower rate, or a contract between the Board of Indigents' Services and appointed counsel specifies a lower rate. This bill would increase that maximum rate to an amount not to exceed \$100 per hour through June 30, 2023, then increase the rate to an amount not to exceed \$120 per hour on and after July 1, 2023. The bill would keep the existing exceptions in place.

If enacted, the provisions of HB 2363 become effective July 1, 2021.