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MEMORANDUM

To:

Committee on K-12 Education Budget

From:

Nick Myers, Office of Revisor of Statutes

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Subject:

Bill Brief – House Bill 2717

House Bill 2717 would amend K.S.A. 72-3715 of the virtual school act to establish additional requirements for the determination of the provision of virtual school state aid for adult students and students who enroll as dropout diploma completion students who are funded on a percourse completion basis. For the purpose of determining virtual state aid for such students, HB 2717 would add new provisions in the law to require the state department of education to:

- 1. Determine the number of one-hour credit courses reported on the Kansas collection KCAN report that students passed to meet minimum graduation requirements; and
- 2. Validate course completions using official student transcripts.

As is provided in current law, HB 2717 would maintain the same funding level for each such completed course (\$709) up to six courses per school year per student.

HB 2717 would also prohibit the state board of education from deducting any virtual school state aid for such adult students and dropout diploma completion students for courses completed by such students in any school year that precedes the school year in which such state aid is determined. Additionally, if the state board does deduct any virtual school state aid, HB 2717 would require that such deductions only be made with respect to individual courses.