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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Bergquist
Members of the House Committee on Local Government

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: January 30, 2023

Subject: HB 2082 – Authorizing counties to establish a code inspection and enforcement fund and a municipalities fight addiction fund.

House Bill No. 2082 (HB 2082) would enact provisions regarding three local county funds. First, Section 1 of the bill authorizes the board of county commissioners to establish a code inspection and enforcement fund. The purpose of the fund would be to finance the costs of code enforcement, including operations, equipment, and capital needs. The new statute would also authorize the board to assess fees that may be credited to the code inspection and enforcement fund, and to transfer moneys from other county funds that may be lawfully used for the purposes of the code inspection and enforcement fund. The budget of the code inspection and enforcement fund and all expenditures from the fund would be subject to the general budget laws for taxing municipalities.

Second, HB 2082 would authorize the board of county commissioners to establish a municipalities fight addiction fund. The purpose of the fund would be to finance the costs incurred pursuant to opioid litigation as described in K.S.A. 75-777. Moneys reimbursed to counties from the State for opioid litigation expenses would be credited to the local fund and expended pursuant to the general budget laws for taxing municipalities.

Third, HB 2082 amends K.S.A. 19-119 to expand the county equipment reserve fund to include technology. The fund would be renamed the county equipment and technology reserve fund. In addition to the current authorized expenditures, the fund could be used by a county to acquire computer hardware, software, and technology supplies, and to finance other technology expenses, such as cloud-based computing expenses. All other statutory provisions governing the equipment and technology reserve fund would remain unchanged.