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MEMORANDUM

To: The House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources
From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: 3/4/2026
Re: S.B. 473

S.B. 473 would authorize Audubon of Kansas to convey certain property in Wabaunsee county and require any deeds or conveyances related to such property conveyance be reviewed and approved by the state historical society.

K.S.A. 75-2731 was enacted in 2006 and authorized the state historical society to convey certain property in Wabaunsee County to Audubon of Kansas. This conveyance statute contains a restraint on alienation provision that explicitly prohibits Audubon of Kansas from conveying any portion of the property. The bill would remove the prohibition and affirmatively provide that Audubon of Kansas may convey the property, provided the deeds and conveyances are reviewed and approved by the state historical society.

S.B. 473 would take effect upon publication in the Kansas register.