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MEMORANDUM

To:

Committee on K-12 Education Budget

From:

Nick Myers, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date:

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Subject:

Bill Brief – Senate Bill 387 as Amended by Senate Committee

Senate Bill 387 would amend K.S.A. 72-3123 of the school district open enrollment statutes to clarify that a nonresident student who was enrolled in a school district of nonresidence during the 2023-2024 school year shall be permitted to continue enrolling in such school district until the student graduates from high school. Similarly, SB 387 would permit the continued enrollment of any nonresident student who is accepted for enrollment at a school district of nonresidence on or after June 1, 2024.

SB 387 would also establish an optional appeal process when any nonresident student's application for enrollment is denied by a school district. SB 387 would require each school district to notify parents on or before July 30 of each year if a nonresident student was not accepted for or denied enrollment in the school district. If a student's application is denied, the student's parent may appeal such denial to the school district board of education. If such appeal is unsuccessful, the parent may appeal such denial to the commissioner of education who shall conduct a hearing on the appeal in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act.

SB 387 would also clarify that a school district of nonresidence shall not be required to provide transportation to a nonresident student unless such transportation is required to be provided by law.

If enacted, SB 387 would take effect on July 1, 2024, upon publication in the statute book.