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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairperson Estes
Members of the House Committee on Education

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 6, 2025

Subject: HB 2140 – Establishing a Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) educator position.

House Bill No. 2140 (HB 2140) would create new law directing the Attorney General to appoint a statewide Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) educator. The Attorney General is already directed by K.S.A. 75-721 to appoint a statewide D.A.R.E. coordinator, who is tasked with assisting law enforcement agencies and schools in creating D.A.R.E. programs and training law enforcement officers on how to teach the D.A.R.E. curriculum. The D.A.R.E. educator will:

- Provide instruction to public school students using a curriculum approved by the Attorney General;
- Submit an annual report to the Legislature on changes in the curriculum and the names and addresses of the schools serviced by the program; and
- Provide other services in support of the D.A.R.E. program.

If enacted, HB 2140 would become effective on July 1, 2025.