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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairperson Thompson
Members of the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 3, 2025

Subject: HB 2022 – Specifying that a special election cannot be held within 45 days before or after a general or primary election.

House Bill No. 2022 (HB 2022) amends K.S.A. 25-2502 regarding the general definition of “special election.” Currently, a special election is defined as any election that is not a primary or general election, and that such elections cannot be held within 45 days of a primary or general election. A special election may be held in conjunction with a primary or general election on the same day. HB 2022 specifies that the 45-day restrictions applies to both the 45-day period before and after a primary or general election.

HB 2022 was placed on the consent calendar in the House of Representatives and passed on a final vote of 119-0.

If enacted, HB 2022 would become effective on July 1, 2025.