

HOUSE BILL No. 2488

By Committee on Education

Requested by Representative Steele

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1 AN ACT concerning postsecondary education; relating to the university of
2 Kansas school of medicine; requiring such school to use a letter
3 grading system or other tiered grading system to assess student
4 performance.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*
7 Section 1. (a) The legislature hereby finds that the purpose of medical
8 school is to teach the best candidates to be the best doctor that they can
9 become. In order to do so, candidates should be placed into an
10 environment where they are provided feedback on their coursework in an
11 objective manner, compared to their classmates. A grading system
12 encourages preparedness in the pupil as well as positive performance and
13 rising outcomes. Better grades will lead to better medical professionals. As
14 a result, it is the intent of the legislature to require letter grades or a tiered
15 system with at least four designations for each course offered at a medical
16 school.

17 (b) The university of Kansas school of medicine shall require that any
18 coursework offered in the curriculum for a medical degree or certificate
19 assess a student's performance on such coursework based on the
20 assignment of a letter grade from A to F or a tiered system with at least
21 four designations.

22 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
23 publication in the statute book.