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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairperson Bergquist
Members of the House Committee on Local Government

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 6, 2024

Subject: SB 362 – Repeal of the expiration provision for the Sedgwick County Urban Area Nuisance Abatement Act.

Senate Bill No. 362 (SB 362) would repeal K.S.A. 19-26,120. In 2021, the Legislature enacted the Sedgwick County Urban Area Nuisance Abatement Act (the Act) to provide the board of county commissioners (the Board) statutory authority to order the removal and abatement of nuisances in the unincorporated areas of the county. The Board must follow the due process procedures for taking such action and for charging the costs of removal and abatement to the property owner if necessary. The Act included a sunset provision in K.S.A. 19-26,120 that provides the Act expires on July 1, 2024. (A copy of the statute is attached to this memorandum.)

SB 362 would repeal the sunset statute, K.S.A. 19-26,120, thereby removing the expiration provision and allow the Act to continue in effect.

If enacted, SB 362 would become effective on July 1, 2024.