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**MEMORANDUM**

To: House Committee on Water  
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes  
Date: February 6, 2024  
Subject: Bill Brief – HB 2633

HB 2633 provides an additional revenue source for the water program management fund and amends provisions relating to fees for the certification of operators of water supply systems and wastewater treatment facilities.

Section 1 and 3 provides that additional revenue source to the water program management fund and makes the corresponding change in the water supply system and wastewater treatment facility operator statutes. Section 1 amends K.S.A. 65-166b, the statute that established the water program management fund. The bill would include certification fees for operators of water supply systems and wastewater treatment facilities imposed by K.S.A. 65-4513 as part of the moneys in the water program management fund. Section 3 provides the corresponding change in the water supply system and wastewater treatment facility statutes. Currently, K.S.A. 65-4514 provides that operator certification fees be credited to the state general fund. Section 3 would amend that process to credit operator certification fees to the water program management fund instead.

Section 2 amends K.S.A. 65-4513. K.S.A. 65-4513 provides that the secretary of health and environment can establish a schedule of fees for the certification of operators of water supply systems and wastewater treatment facilities. Currently, an operator certification cannot exceed an annual fee of \$25. HB 2633 would eliminate the cap on those fees to allow the secretary to establish a “reasonable” schedule of fees. The bill also provides in K.S.A. 65-4513 that an individual operator examination fee cannot exceed the cost of such exam.

HB 2633 would also repeal K.S.A. 65-4506. K.S.A. 65-4506 currently allows the secretary to certify water supply system and wastewater treatment facility operators through a correspondence course rather than classroom instruction.

The bill becomes effective upon publication in the statute book.