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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Chairman Howe and members of the Higher Education Budget Committee

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 21, 2024

Subject: **HB 2464**, increasing the dollar amount of state scholarships for students attending a postsecondary educational institution who have established financial need.

House Bill No. 2464 increases the dollar amount of state scholarships for students attending a postsecondary educational institution who have established financial need.

Currently, the amount of a state scholarship awarded to a state scholar (full-time, in-state student who has exhibited scholastic ability and who is initially acceptable for entering an eligible institution or who has so entered and is in good standing and making satisfactory progress) pursuant to K.S.A. 74-32,235 based on the student's financial need is limited to \$1,000 annually if initially awarded after July 1, 1985. The amended bill would increase that amount to the lesser of the actual cost of attendance in any year or 70% of the annual attendance cost if the state scholar is awarded a state scholarship for any program period, term or semester commencing after July 1, 2023.

“Financial need” is redefined to mean the difference between a student's available financial resources and such student's total anticipated annual attendance cost at an eligible institution. A student's financial resources shall be determined based on criteria provided under the federal methodology of need analysis.

“Eligible institution” is clarified to include any public university, municipal university, community college, technical college and not-for-profit independent institution in Kansas.

“State educational institution” and “annual attendance costs” are added to the definition section. “State educational institution” means the university of Kansas, Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science, Wichita state university, Emporia state university, Pittsburg state university, and Fort Hays state university. “Annual attendance costs” means the average cost of in-state tuition and required fees for 30 credit hours of undergraduate instruction across each state educational institution and Washburn university.

The bill becomes effective upon the publication in the statute book, July 1, 2024.