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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Aurand
Members of the House Committee on Education

From: Jason B. Long, Senior Assistant Revisor

Date: February 14, 2017

Subject: HB 2179 – Due process procedures for teachers.

House Bill No. 2179 (HB 2179) amends statutes that provide statutory due process rights to certain teachers. The provisions of these statutes that made them applicable to elementary and secondary public school teachers were stricken in 2014 in Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 2506. HB 2179 reinstates those provisions so that the statutes would be applicable to such teachers once again.

Section 1 amends K.S.A. 72-5436 regarding the definitions of "teacher" and "board." Under the bill both terms would include references to public school teachers and school districts.

Sections 2 and 3 make minor amendments to statutes so that appropriate references to public school districts are included.

Section 4 amends K.S.A. 72-5445 to reinstate the provisions that barring the applicability of the due process statutes to teachers convicted of certain criminal offenses.

If enacted the provisions of HB 2145 would be effective on July 1, 2017.