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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on K-12 Education Budget
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: March 7, 2022
Subject: Senate Bill 362 – Bill Brief

Senate Bill 362 would amend K.S.A. 72-1163 relating to the annual budget process of local boards of education. Currently, state law requires each board of education of a school district to conduct a needs assessment of the educational needs of each attendance center in the school district and to use such information to prepare the school district's budget to ensure improvement in academic performance.

District Needs Assessments

SB 362 would require school districts to publish such needs assessment on the school district website. Additionally, SB 362 would require each board of education to document in the minutes of the meeting at which the board approves the annual district budget that the board considered the needs assessment and used the needs assessment when approving the budget of the school district.

State Academic Assessments

SB 362 would also require each board of education of a school district to review state assessment results and to document the following:

- The barriers that must be overcome to have each student achieve proficiency above level 1 for grade level academic expectations;
- Any budget actions that should be taken to address and remove such barriers including recommended reallocations of resources; and

- The amount of time the board estimates it will take for each student to achieve proficiency above level 1 on the state assessments if such budget recommendations are implemented.

Publication

SB 362 would amend current law to provide that each school district must provide the district needs assessment and the state academic assessment documentation on the school district's website.

Effective Date

SB 362 would take effect on July 1, 2022, upon publication in the statute book.