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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Chairman Sloan and Members of the Committee on Water and Environment  
From: Matt Sterling, Assistant Revisor of Statutes  
Date: 02/07/2017  
RE: House Concurrent Resolution 5008

HCR 5008 would amend article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas by adding a new section concerning the sales and compensating use tax and contributions to the state water plan fund.

Propositions for an amendment to the constitution may be made by concurrent resolution, and if two-thirds of all the members of each house approve the resolution, the secretary of state shall cause such resolution to be published in the manner provided by law. At the next general election, which in this case would be November 2018, the issue would be on the ballot for the voters. If a simple majority of the voters approve the measure, the proposed constitutional amendment would be adopted.

The proposed amendment would require that starting on July 1, 2019, 0.1% of the revenue collected statewide from the sales and compensating use tax would be remitted to the state treasurer and credited only a quarterly basis to the state water plan fund. Any such sales tax funds that were transferred to the water plan fund could only be used for water-related purposes.