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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairperson Thompson

Members of the House Committee on Local Government

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 2, 2022

Subject: HB 2518 – Notice requirements for improvement districts.

House Bill No. 2518 (HB 2518) would amend provisions of the municipal general improvement and assessment law. First, K.S.A. 12-6a04 requires the municipal governing body to order a public hearing on the advisability of an improvement district before authorizing any such improvements. HB 2518 would require that notice of such hearing be mailed by first class mail to all owners of record of property that is proposed to be included in the improvement district.

Second, K.S.A. 12-6a06 requires the governing body to publish the resolution authorizing the improvement district in order for it to become effective. HB 2518 would also require the governing body to mail notice of the adopted resolution by first class mail to all owners of record of property in the improvement district before the resolution could become effective.

Finally, K.S.A. 12-6a20 requires that prior to the execution of a real estate contract, or as part of such contract the seller must disclose that the property is subject to special improvement district assessment. HB 2518 would require such disclosure be a part of the real estate contract as well as disclosed prior to execution of the contract.

If enacted, HB 2518 would become effective on July 1, 2022.