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## MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Billinger and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 23, 2021

Subject: HB 2101 - Extending transfers from the expanded lottery act revenues fund to the university engineering initiative.

House Bill No. 2101 extends the current transfer of the first \$10,500,000 credited to the expanded lottery act revenues fund (ELARF) from the ELARF to the Kan-grow engineering fund – KU, the Kan-grow engineering fund – KSU and the Kan-grow engineering fund – WSU with each such engineering fund receiving equal amounts of \$3,500,000 in each fiscal year, for fiscal years 2023 through 2032. The transfer first occurred in fiscal year 2013 and is currently scheduled to end with the transfer in fiscal year 2022.

The bill also amends the goal of the university engineering initiative act in K.S.A. 76-7,137, to continue to generate the same number of engineering graduates per year as is currently set for 2021, 1,365 graduates, to meet the needs of the engineering workforce for as long as the university engineering initiative act is financed with annual transfers from the ELARF.

The bill becomes effective upon publication in the statute book, July 1, 2021.

The House Committee on Appropriations amended the bill to require that on or before the first day of the 2022 legislative session, and annually thereafter, each university, the board of regents and the secretary of commerce shall report to the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Ways and Means on how many engineering graduates remain in the state over the previous three years. Such report shall also provide detail concerning all efforts to increase retention of graduates and opportunities for graduates in Kansas and shall include information regarding the number of graduates from each university that were initially enrolled as in-state or out-of-state students.

The House passed the bill 112-12 on February 25, 2021.