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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Judiciary
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: March 4, 2025
Subject: Bill Brief for SB 138 (As Introduced)

Senate Bill 138 requires search warrants to be issued only on the statement of facts sufficient to show probable cause made by a law enforcement officer.

The bill amends K.S.A. 22-2502, the statute about the issuance of search warrants. Current law in subsection (a) provides that a search warrant shall be issued only upon the oral or written statement of "any person" under oath or affirmation that states facts sufficient to show probable cause. This bill would amend the section to only allow a search warrant to be issued on the oral or written statement of a law enforcement officer under oath or affirmation that states facts sufficient to show probable cause.

The bill would take effect from and after publication in the statute book, July 1, 2025.