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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Judiciary

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 11, 2025

Subject: Bill Brief for SB 186 (As Introduced)

Senate Bill 186 requires probable cause affidavits to be made available to law enforcement agencies prior to the execution of a warrant or summons.

The bill amends K.S.A. 22-2302, the statute related to issuance of arrest warrants. Current law provides that affidavits or sworn testimony in support of the probable cause requirement of this section shall not be open to the public until the warrant or summons has been executed. This bill provides that such affidavits and sworn testimony shall be made available to law enforcement agencies prior to execution of the warrant or summons.

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