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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Judiciary
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: March 11, 2025
Subject: Bill Brief for HB 2215 (As Introduced)

House Bill 2215 modifies the definition of public-private partnership to increase the allowable cost-share limit for expenditures by the department of corrections on certain correctional institution construction projects.

The bill amends K.S.A. 75-52,167, a section of law that defines terms related to the secretary of corrections being authorized to enter into agreements with private entities for public-private projects for the purpose of funding new or renovated buildings at a correctional institution. Current law defines "public-private partnership" as the relationship established between the department of corrections and a private entity by contracting for the performance of any combination of specified functions or responsibilities to develop, finance, construct or renovate a building at a correctional institution where the department of corrections cost for development, finance, construction or renovation of such building does not exceed 25% of the total cost of the developing, financing, constructing or renovating such building. The bill amends the definition by changing 25% to 50%, allowing the department cost to not exceed 50% of the total cost.

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