

SESSION OF 2026

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2519**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Judiciary

**Brief\***

HB 2519 would continue in existence certain exceptions to the Kansas Open Records Act (KORA).

Those exceptions would include:

- KSA 8-2,158 concerning the name, address, and telephone number of an emergency contact authorized by a holder of a driver's license, instruction permit, or non-driver's identification card;
- KSA 22a-243 concerning records disclosed to a city or county entity that provides a local review of child deaths when such death occurred in the city or county or the child was a resident of the city or county;
- KSA 40-221b concerning information filed for an initial application for certification of reinsurance;
- KSA 41-353 concerning names and addresses of a consignee in a report by a fulfillment house licensee; and
- KSA 75-782 concerning all documents, materials, or other information obtained by or discussed by Kansas Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse multidisciplinary teams.

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\*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <https://klrd.gov/>

## **Background**

A sunset provision for all exceptions to KORA was added in 2000, requiring a review of existing exceptions within five years and of any new exception or substantial amendment to an exception by July 1 of the fifth year of enactment. Absent such review, the exceptions would expire. The law also required any exceptions continued after legislative review to be reviewed again five years later; however, 2013 HB 2012 modified the requirement so that exceptions would no longer be subject to review and expiration if the Legislature reviews and continues the exception during the 2013 Session or thereafter.

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Judiciary at the request of Representative Humphries on behalf of the Office of Revisor of Statutes.

### ***House Committee on Judiciary***

In the House Committee hearing, an Assistant Revisor of Statutes provided an overview of the bill.

Written-only **opponent** testimony was provided by a representative of the State Child Death Review Board, who stated concern about the bill retaining a provision concerning disclosure of information related to the death of a child.

No other testimony was provided.

## **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect.