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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Judiciary

From: Jason Thompson, Senior Assistant Revisor of Statutes

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Subject: Bill Brief for SB 331

Senate Bill 331 authorizes department of corrections employees and local correctional or detention officers to have identifying information restricted from public access on public websites that identify home addresses or home ownership.

The bill amends K.S.A. 45-221, a statute in the open records act describing records that a public agency is not required to disclose. The bill makes technical amendments throughout the statute, but the primary amendment is to subsection (a)(51) on page 7. Current law allows a law enforcement officer, parole officer, probation officer, court services officer, or community correctional services officer to request that such officer's identifying information be restricted from public access in records of a public agency on a public website that identifies home addresses or home ownership. The bill would authorize employees of the department of corrections, local corrections officers, and local detention officers to make such a request.