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**MEMORANDUM**

To: House Committee on Judiciary

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 8, 2022

Subject: Bill Brief on HB 2507

HB 2507 adds denial of civil rights based on a person's disability to the crime of denial of civil rights.

The bill amends K.S.A. 21-6102, which is the crime of denial of civil rights. Currently, the crime is intentionally denying to another, on account of race, color, ancestry, national origin or religion, of the full and equal (1) use and enjoyment of services, facilities, privileges and advantages of a state or municipal agency, (2) use and enjoyment of goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages and accommodations of establishments that are open to the public providing lodging, food or beverage, recreation, amusement, exhibition or entertainment, (3) use and enjoyment of the services, privileges and advantages of any facility for the public transportation of people or goods, (4) use and enjoyment of services, facilities, privileges and advantages of any establishment offering personal or professional services, or (5) exercise of the right to vote in any election in the state. Denial of civil rights is a class A nonperson misdemeanor.

This bill would add "disability" to the list of "race, color, ancestry, national origin or religion" as a basis for denying someone civil rights that would fall under this section.