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MEMORANDUM

To: John Kirk, Division of the Budget **From:** Scott M. Schultz, Executive Director

Date: January 29, 2021

Re: Prison Bed Impact Assessment, SB - 58 - Prohibiting the filing of certain liens or

claims against real or personal property and providing for criminal penalties.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- **Impact on Prison Admissions:** This bill **may** impact prison admissions, but it cannot be determined at this time. The impact will be negligible.
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SUMMARY OF THE BILL

Section 1. This new section provides for a severity level 8, nonperson felony for presenting unlawful liens or claims against personal or real property.

Section 2. This bill amends K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 58-4301 to provide that "if the court orders that the lien or claim is set aside, the court's findings of fact and conclusions of law shall also include: (a) an order prohibiting the person who filed such lien or claim from filing any future lien or claim with any filing officer without approval of the court that enters the order; and (b) a provision stating that a violation of the order may subject the party in violation to civil and criminal penalties."

FINDINGS

- There were **zero** arrests in the KBI database for crimes under these statutes in FY 2020.
- There were **zero** convictions in the KSSC database in FY 2019.

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