

**75-52,147. Death of inmate in custody of secretary of corrections or juvenile in custody of commissioner of juvenile justice; investigation by Kansas bureau of investigation.** On and after July 1, 2004, whenever death occurs of an inmate, who is in the custody of the secretary of corrections and who resides in a correctional facility or boot camp operated by or contracted through the secretary or of a juvenile, who is in the custody of the commissioner of juvenile justice and who resides in an institution operated by or contracted through the commissioner, an investigation regarding the circumstances of the death shall be initiated by the Kansas bureau of investigation. A report of the findings of the investigation shall be made available to the chairperson of the senate judiciary committee and the house corrections and juvenile justice committee of the Kansas legislature and shall be subject to the open records act, K.S.A. 45-215, and amendments thereto. No such investigation by the Kansas bureau of investigation shall be required if the cause of death is determined to be natural, by a qualified autopsy, preliminary autopsy report or death certificate or the inmate or juvenile was regularly attended by a licensed physician.

**History:** L. 2004, ch. 160, § 4; L. 2005, ch. 150, § 2; July 1.