MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Judiciary

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: March 9, 2020

Subject: Bill Brief on SB 331

Senate Bill 331 authorizes certain employees 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, as introduced, would authorize employees of the department of corrections, local corrections officers, and local detention officers to make such a request. The Senate Committee on Judiciary added employees of the judicial branch, federal judges, justices of the supreme court, judges of the court of appeals, district court judges, district magistrate judges, municipal judges, employees of municipal courts, the United States attorney for the district of Kansas, assistant United States attorneys, special assistant United States attorneys, the attorney general, assistant attorneys general, special assistant attorneys general, county attorneys, assistant county attorneys, special assistant county attorneys, district attorneys, assistant district attorneys, special assistant district attorneys, city attorneys, assistant city attorneys and special assistant attorneys to the list of employees who can make such a request.