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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Senate Committee on Judiciary  
From: Jason Thompson, Senior Assistant Revisor of Statutes  
Date: February 22, 2019  
Subject: Bill Brief for SB 87

Senate Bill 87 allows certain persons with suspended drivers' licenses to enter into an amnesty agreement with the county or district attorney.

The bill creates a new section of law that applies to a person whose driving privileges have been suspended pursuant to K.S.A. 8-2110(b)(1). This suspension occurs when a person fails to comply with a traffic citation by failing to appear in court and pay all fines, court costs and any penalties, and the bill makes no changes to that process. The bill allows the person to enter into an amnesty agreement with the county or district attorney and, under the terms of an amnesty agreement, allows the chief judge of each judicial district to: (1) Recall any warrants directly related to the suspension; (2) waive reinstatement and collection fees directly related to the suspension; and (3) offer payment plans to persons who are unable to pay in full.

Subsection (b) authorizes a court to enter into additional agreements with a person who is unable to pay due to hardship or lack of employment. The person would receive a credit against any fines imposed by performing court-approved community service or attending court-approved classes aimed at developing job skills and gaining employment. The credit would be equal to \$10 for each full hour spent by the person in community service or attending classes.

Finally, subsection (c) provides that the bill shall not apply to: (1) A person whose driving privileges have been suspended by another court; (2) non-traffic warrants; or (3) a person whose driver's license has been suspended or revoked under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-262 (driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked), 8-2,144 (driving a commercial motor vehicle under the influence), 8-1567 (driving under the influence), 8-1567a (driving under the influence by any person less than 21 years of age) or 40-3104 (driving without motor vehicle liability insurance coverage).