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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Welfare Reform

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

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Subject: Bill Brief on House Bill 2360

House Bill 2360 directs the secretary for children and families to review and compare data for public assistance program eligibility.

This bill enacts a new section of law that would require the secretary for children and families and the secretary of health and environment to enter into data matching agreements to compare data related to individuals in public assistance programs with commercial entities that collect or maintain certain data regarding employment and wages or to present the commercial, state and federal agency options to compare data to the LCC. Upon receipt of the options from the secretaries, the LCC would make the determination of approval of the data matching agreement.

Paragraph (2) requires the appropriate secretary to receive and review data concerning individuals enrolled in public assistance programs that may affect eligibility on a periodic schedule, based on the state data being reviewed, as follows:

- Monthly basis: office of vital statistics, potential changes in residency based on outof-state EBT transactions, department of corrections, Kansas lottery and Kansas racing and gaming commission
- Semi-monthly basis: department of labor
- Quarterly basis: department of labor, department of revenue

Subsection (b) requires the secretary of DCF to review, on at least a monthly basis, records from federal sources with data including: Earned income information; death records; incarceration; SSI earnings and pension information; income and employment information; HHS child support enforcement data; payment and earnings information from HUD; and FBI fleeing felon information.



Subsection (c) requires the secretary of DCF to make available on the department's website on at least a quarterly basis, the following data from findings of noncompliance and fraud investigations in food assistance programs in the aggregate, not using personally identifiable information:

- Number of households investigated for intentional program violations or fraud
- Number of households referred to the attorney general's office for prosecution
- Improper payments and expenditures
- Moneys recovered
- Data concerning improper payments or ineligible recipients as a percentage of those investigated and reviewed
- Amount of funds expended by EBT card transactions in each state outside of Kansas

This bill would go into effect upon publication in the Kansas statute book, July 1, 2025.