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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: March 5, 2025
Subject: Bill brief on House Bill 2075

House Bill 2075 as introduced amends K.S.A. 38-2264 to change the period of time that a child in custody of the secretary shall have a permanency hearing from twelve months to nine months. House Bill 2075 was requested by the Secretary for Children and Families for the Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care's sponsorship. This bill was amended by the house committee to change the requirement to hold subsequent hearings from nine months to six months.

K.S.A. 38-2264 requires that a permanency hearing for a child who has been removed from the home be held within twelve months from the date that the child was authorized by the court to be removed from the home. The statute further requires subsequent permanency hearings be held within every twelve months while the child remains in custody of the secretary.

House Bill 2075 would amend these requirements that such permanency hearings and subsequent hearings be held within nine months of the court authorizing the removal of the child.

House Bill 2075 passed the house on a vote of 119-0.