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Written testimony to the Senate Judiciary Committee Regarding SB 418

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The Department of Corrections appreciates the opportunity to offer written testimony in support of SB 418.

As other proponents have no doubt noted, this bill is in response to the federal Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act (H.R. 4980). Several components of this act require changes to the Kansas Revised Juvenile Offender Code dealing with permanency planning. These changes are necessary for the Department of Children and Families to continue to receive federal Title IV-E funding on behalf of Kansas, a small portion of which do transfer to KDOC. Implementation of SB 418 will not have a fiscal impact on the department.