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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Judiciary

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

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Subject: Bill Brief on HB 2127

HB 2127 requires the department for children and families to release information to the public related to a child fatality caused by abuse or neglect when criminal charges are filed related to the fatality.

The bill amends K.S.A. 38-2212. Current law provides that, in the event that child abuse or neglect results in a child fatality, the secretary for children and families is required to release certain information in response to an open records request within seven business days. This bill would add that if criminal charges are filed against a person in relation to the fatality, the secretary would be required to release the same information in the same manner.