

Testimony concerning SB 491  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
Presented by Alexandra Blasi  
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Madam Chair and Members of the Committee:

The Kansas State Board of Pharmacy respectfully submits this neutral testimony on SB 491. The Board greatly appreciates the work of the KBI in preparing this lengthy bill and including the Board on final revisions and drafts prior to introduction. Unfortunately, one edit was missed that could have unintended consequences. By changing the word “person” to “licensee,” this could impact the Board’s ability to run criminal history record checks on individuals **applying** for licensure or registration with the Board.

The Board respectfully requests the Committee consider the below amendment prior to any passage out of Committee.

Page 116, lines 22-24:

“The state board of pharmacy may require a ~~person~~ **applicant, registrant, or licensee** to be fingerprinted and submit to a state and national criminal history record check *in accordance with section 2, and amendments thereto.*”

Respectfully submitted.