Brief*

HB 2197 would amend law within the Kansas Code of Criminal Procedure relating to trial jurors. The bill would remove addresses of prospective jurors from the information included in the list of prospective jurors filed with the clerk of the court.

The bill also would specify the list would not be considered a public record (under current law, the list is designated a public record). This provision would expire on July 1, 2022, unless the Legislature reviews and reenacts the provision.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Kansas District Judges Association (KDJA). At the hearing before the House Committee, a representative of the KDJA testified in support of the bill. No opponent or neutral testimony was presented.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Office of Judicial Administration indicates any fiscal effect associated with the enactment of the bill would be negligible.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.kslegislature.org