**75-3737.** Photographic copies of or reproduction of records; destruction of originals; evidence in judicial or administrative proceedings. In the regular course of business or activity of the department, the secretary of administration as the official custodian, may require the director of accounts and reports to keep or record any memorandum, writing, entry, print, representation or combination thereof, of any act, transaction, occurrence or event, by causing any or all of the same to be recorded, copied or reproduced by any photographic, photostatic, microfilm, micro-card, miniature photographic or other process which accurately reproduces or forms a durable medium for so reproducing the original, and thereafter the original, upon the approval of the secretary of administration, may be destroyed in the regular course of business after it has been on file in his or her office for a period of three years or more unless longer preservation of the item is required by law.

Such reproduction, when satisfactorily identified, is as admissible in evidence as the original itself in any judicial or administrative proceeding whether the original is in existence or not and an enlargement or facsimile of such production is likewise admissible in evidence if the original reproduction is in existence and available for inspection under direction of the court. The introduction of a reproduced record, enlargement or facsimile does not preclude admission of the original. Nothing in this section shall affect the admissibility of evidence permitted by K.S.A. 75-3505 to 75-3508, inclusive, or any amendments thereto.

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