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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Judiciary

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 8, 2021

Subject: Bill Brief on HB 2153

HB 2153 increases the criminal penalties for mistreatment of a dependent adult or elder person who is a resident of an adult care home.

The bill amends K.S.A. 21-5417 to provide that mistreatment of a dependent adult or an elder person that results in physical injury, unreasonable confinement or unreasonable punishment would be a severity level 2, person felony, when the victim is a dependent adult who is a resident of an adult care home during the commission of the offense. Mistreatment of a dependent adult or an elder person that results in a taking of property or financial resources would be a severity level 5, person felony when the victim is a dependent adult who is a resident of an adult care home during the commission of the offense