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MEMORANDUM

To: John Kirk, Division of the Budget **From:** Scott M. Schultz, Executive Director

Date: January 29, 2021

Re: Prison Bed Space Impact Assessment, SB 59 - Modifying the crimes of selling sexual

relations, promoting the sale of sexual relations, and buying sexual relations by

changing terminology from "sexual relations" to "a sex act."

IMPACT ASSESSMENT

This bill has **no** impact on prison admissions, prison beds or the workload of the Commission as the changes do not affect the criminal penalties.

SUMMARY OF THE BILL

Section 1 - Section 18. K.S.A. 68-2255, 21-5401, 21-6328, 21-6419, 21-6420, 21-6421, 21-6422, 22-2515, 22-2530, 22-3901, 22-4902, 22-4906, 38-2202, 38-2287, 41-311, 41-2601, 60-31a02 and 60-4104 are amended to change the language of **sexual relations** to **sex act**.

FINDINGS

- In FY 2019, **five** offenders were convicted of K.S.A. 21-6420 (felony Promoting the Sale of Sexual Relations). Of this number:
 - o One was sentenced to prison;
 - o Four were sentenced to probation; and
 - o All were sentenced at severity level 9.
- In FY 2019, **zero** offenders were convicted of K.S.A. 21-6421 (felony Buying Sexual Relations)
- In FY 2019, **three** offenders were convicted of K.S.A. 21-6422 (felony Commercial Exploitation of a Child). Of this number:
 - o Two were sentenced to prison;
 - o One was sentenced to probation; and
 - o The severity levels of these offenders were:
 - One N4;
 - One N5; and
 - One N6.

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