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HOUSE BILL No. 2814

By Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

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AN ACT concerning admissible evidence; amending K.S.A. 60-445 and

repealing the existing section. 11 12 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 13 Section 1. K.S.A. 60-445 is hereby amended to read as follows: 60-14 445. Except as in this article otherwise provided in this section or article 15 4 of chapter 60 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments 16 thereto, the judge may in his or her such judge's discretion exclude evi-17 dence if he or she the judge finds that its probative value is substantially 18 outweighed by the risk that its admission will unfairly and harmfully sur-19 prise a party who has not had reasonable opportunity to anticipate that 20 such evidence would be offered. In a prosecution for any criminal hom-21 icide, an appropriate photograph of the victim while alive shall be ad-22 missible evidence when offered by the prosecutor to show the general 23

appearance and condition of the victim while alive. Sec. 2. K.S.A. 60-445 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.