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By Committee on Judiciary

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9 AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; concerning search warrants; es-10 tablishing how search warrants may be issued in violation of health, 11safety, building or animal cruelty laws or ordinances. 1213 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: Section 1. In addition to other warrants provided by K.S.A. 22-2501 1415et seq., and amendments thereto, magistrates, upon showing of probable 16 cause to believe a state law, county resolution or municipal ordinance has been violated in relation to health, safety, building or animal cruelty, may 1718issue a warrant for the purpose of obtaining evidence of a violation. War-19rants may be obtained from a magistrate upon request of a law enforce-20ment official of the state and state, county, municipal health, fire, building 21and animal control personnel only after approval by a district attorney or 22 county attorney. A search warrant issued under this section shall be di-23 rected to any law enforcement official of the state within the county where the warrant is to be executed, who shall serve the same. Other concerned 24 25personnel may accompany the officer. 26Sec. 2. (a) Property or evidence seized pursuant to a search warrant 27 may not be suppressed at a motion, trial or other proceeding, unless the 28 unlawful conduct of the law enforcement officer is shown to be 29 substantial. Any unlawful search or seizure shall be considered substantial and 30 (b) 31in bad faith if the warrant was obtained with malicious purpose and with-32 out probable cause or was executed maliciously and willfully beyond the 33 authority of the warrant or with unnecessary severity. 34 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 35 publication in the statute book.