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## **HOUSE BILL No. 2420**

## By Representative Yoder

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AN ACT concerning jury service; relating to cloistered members of a religious organization; amending K.S.A. 43-159 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:
Section 1. K.S.A. 43-159 is hereby amended to read as follows: 43-159. In addition to the persons excused from jury service in K.S.A. 43-

159. In addition to the persons excused from jury service in K.S.A. 43-158, and amendments thereto, the following persons may be excused 17 from jury service by the court: (a) Persons so physically or mentally infirm 18 as to be unequal to the task of ordinary jury duty; 19 persons whose presence elsewhere is required for the public wel-

- (b) persons whose presence elsewhere is required for the public welfare, health or safety;
- $\left(c\right)~$  persons for whom jury service would cause extraordinary or compelling personal hardship; and
- (d) persons whose personal relationship to the parties or whose information or interest in the case to be tried is such that there is a probability such persons would find it difficult to be impartial; *and* 
  - (e) persons who are cloistered members of a religious organization.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 43-159 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.