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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Judiciary
From: Jenna Moyer, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
Date: March 20, 2018
Subject: HB 2648 – Including federal law enforcement officers in assault and battery against a law enforcement officer

HB 2648 amends K.S.A. 21-5412 to add federal law enforcement officers in the definition of law enforcement officer in the crimes of assault and battery of a law enforcement officer.

Current law includes uniformed or properly identified state, county or city law enforcement officers and uniformed or properly identified university or campus police officers. This bill would add federal law enforcement officers to the definition and define a federal law enforcement officer as a law enforcement officer employed by the United States federal government who, as part of such officer's duties, is permitted to make arrests and to be armed.

The House Committee amended the bill by adding language that would require the federal law enforcement officer to be uniformed property identified.