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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly and members of the House Financial Institutions and Pensions Committee

From: David Wiese, Assistant Revisor

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Subject: HB 2139; Permitting local eligible employers to affiliate with KP&F with regard to coverage of certain local corrections employees.

House Bill No. 2139 permits local eligible employers under the Kansas police and firemen's retirement system to make application or supplemental application to affiliate with KP&F with regard to coverage of detention deputies, corrections officers, detention officers or jailers.

The bill defines "detention deputy," "corrections officer," "detention officer" or "jailer" as employees assigned to a jail, adult detention center, juvenile detention center or other local adult or juvenile correctional facility whose principal duties are engagement in maintaining security and control of the facility, monitoring both preconviction and postconviction inmate or prisoner behaviors and activities, enforcing the facility rules and guidelines, and who is specifically designated, appointed, commissioned or styled by the governing body of the participating employer and certifies to the retirement system as such.

The bill also provides that if an individual in one of the above positions has a KP&F vested retirement benefit and a KPERS vested retirement benefit and then retires on or after such individual's normal retirement date under KP&F, such individual shall also be deemed to have retired under KPERS and shall be eligible for such KPERS retirement benefit at the same time.