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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Barker and Members of the Committee on Federal and State Affairs
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: 1/27/2021
RE: House Bill 2089

HB 2089 would amend K.S.A. 75-7c03 and 75-7c05 in the Personal and Family Protection Act concerning the issuance of licenses to carry concealed handguns. Under current law, the attorney general issues such licenses to individuals who comply with the application and training requirements of the act. The act specifies that the license is on a separate card that is approximately the size of a Kansas driver's license and includes the licensee's signature, name, address, date of birth and driver's license number.

HB 2089 would provide that when a state of disaster emergency had been proclaimed pursuant to K.S.A. 48-924 and the attorney general determined that it was impractical for licensees to obtain a physical card from the division of motor vehicles, the attorney general could issue an authorization document to licensees. The document would include the same licensee information currently required under the act and would state that the document was proof that the licensee held a valid license to carry concealed handguns. All such documents that were issued during a state of disaster emergency would expire 90 days after such state of disaster emergency was terminated.

Additionally, under current law, the attorney general is required to issue a license to carry concealed handguns within 90 days of submission of the documents required under the act. HB 2089 would also require the attorney general issue the authorization document for licensees during a state of disaster emergency within 90 days.