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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Committee on Judiciary
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: March 25, 2021
Subject: Bill Brief for HB 2153

House Bill 2153 increases the criminal penalties for mistreatment of a dependent adult or elder person who is a resident of an adult care home.

The bill amends K.S.A. 21-5417 to provide that mistreatment of a dependent adult or an elder person that results in physical injury, unreasonable confinement or unreasonable punishment would be a severity level 2, person felony, when the victim is a dependent adult who is a resident of an adult care home during the commission of the offense. Mistreatment of a dependent adult or an elder person that results in a taking of property or financial resources would be a severity level 5, person felony, when the victim is a dependent adult who is a resident of an adult care home during the commission of the offense.