

## **Disclosure of Tax Information for Defendants Claiming Indigency; HB 2413**

**HB 2413** requires courts, in a felony case with appointed counsel where the defendant's social security number is accessible from the district court's records, to provide electronically to the Kansas Secretary of Revenue (Secretary) the defendant's name, social security number, district court case number, and county for the purpose of determining whether the defendant is financially able to employ legal counsel. Further, upon receiving such information from the court, it allows the Secretary to forward and provide a defendant's name, social security number, Kansas adjusted gross income, number of exemptions claimed, and the relevant tax year of such records electronically to the State Board of Indigents' Defense Services. The bill provides that the social security number would remain confidential.

The italicized text in paragraph (c)(14) regarding unclaimed property was enacted by the passage of 2011 SB 91 and does not indicate further amendment.