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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Barker
Members of the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

From: Jason B. Long, Senior Assistant Revisor

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Subject: HB 2003 – Issuance of limited driver's licenses and permits

House Bill No. 2003 (HB 2003) creates a new section in the Motor Vehicle Driver's License Act. The new section authorizes the Division of Vehicles to issue a limited Class C driver's license, limited instruction permit, or limited and restricted license. The age and examination requirements for such limited licenses and permits are the same as for current Class C licenses and permits. However, HB 2003 allows a limited license or permit to be issued to an individual who is a Kansas resident, but who has not been issued a social security number or does not have documentary evidence of citizenship or lawful presence in the United States. The individual must provide either a valid passport or a valid consular identification document.

HB 2003 further provides that a limited license or permit shall not be acceptable for purposes of the REAL ID Act, voting, purchasing a firearm, or establishing eligibility for public benefits. The limited license or permit shall also not be used to consider the individual's citizenship or immigration status, as the basis for any civil or criminal investigation, or as the basis for an arrest, citation, or detention.

The remainder of HB 2003 amends current Motor Vehicle Driver's License Act statutes to provide exceptions when necessary for individuals applying for a limited license or permit.

If enacted, HB 2003 would become effective on July 1, 2019.