HCS HB 1461 -- ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM (Anderson)

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This bill makes changes to the Address Confidentiality Program, which authorizes the use of a designated address for victims of a crime. The bill expands the program to victims of any crime who fear for their safety. The bill also applies the program to other individuals living with the victim.

The bill specifies that if a parent is participating in the program, a court order releasing information on a minor child in a custody case shall not release the parent's address. Additionally, if a parent wishes to relocate a child who is under his or her custody, a parent in the program may provide his or her information under seal to the court for in camera review.

The bill specifies that an applicant may complete his or her own renewal in the program, and does not need to use an application assistant. A participant in the program may be removed if he or she moves outside of Missouri.