CHAPTER 163

HOUSE Substitute for SENATE BILL No. 47

AN ACT concerning juveniles; relating to the reduction of racial, geographic and other biases in the juvenile justice system; amending K.S.A. 75-7038, 75-7043, 75-7046 and 75-7048 and K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 75-7007 and 75-7056 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 75-7007 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-7007. (a) There is hereby established the Kansas advisory group on juvenile justice and delinquency prevention, for the purposes of the federal juvenile justice and delinquency prevention act of 1974, as amended.

(b) The membership of the Kansas advisory group on juvenile justice and delinquency prevention shall be composed of members appointed by the governor. The governor shall appoint at least 20 but not more than 33 members to the advisory group. The members shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. One-third of the members shall be appointed to four-year terms; one-third of the members shall be appointed to three-year terms; and one-third of the members shall be appointed to two-year terms. Thereafter, all members shall serve four-year terms.

(c) The chairperson and vice-chairperson of the advisory group shall be appointed by the governor.

(d) Each member of the advisory group shall receive compensation, subsistence allowances, mileage and other expenses as provided for in K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto.

(e) The advisory group shall participate in the development and review of the juvenile justice plan, review and comment on all juvenile justice and delinquency prevention grant applications, and shall make recommendations regarding the grant applications.

(f) The advisory group shall receive reports from local citizen review boards established pursuant to K.S.A. 38-1812, and amendments thereto, regarding the status of juvenile offenders under the supervision of the district courts.

(g) The advisory group shall examine the effectiveness of juvenile justice programs in reducing racial, geographic and other biases that may exist in the juvenile justice system, and report to the commissioner of juvenile justice annually on which programs are effective in reducing such biases in areas such as prevention, alternatives to detention, intake and assessment procedures and alternatives to incarceration.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-7038 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-7038. On and after July 1, 1997, the commissioner of juvenile justice may make grants from the juvenile justice community initiative fund, created in K.S.A. 75-7033, and amendments thereto, to counties for the development, implementation, operation and improvement of juvenile community correctional services including, but not limited to, restitution programs, victim services programs, balanced and restorative justice programs, preventive or diversionary correctional programs; programs to reduce racial, geographic and other biases that may exist in the juvenile justice system; and community juvenile corrections centers and facilities for the detention or confinement, care or treatment of juveniles being detained or adjudged to be a juvenile offender.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 75-7043 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-7043. On and after July 1, 1997:

(a) Except as provided in K.S.A. 75-7040, and amendments thereto, no county shall be qualified to receive grants under K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, unless and until the comprehensive plan for such county, or the group of counties with which such county is cooperating, is approved by the commissioner of juvenile justice.

(b) The commissioner of juvenile justice shall adopt rules and regulations establishing additional requirements for receipt of grants under K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, standards for the operation of the correctional services described in K.S.A. 75-7038, and amendments thereto, and standards for performance evaluation of
the correctional services described in K.S.A. 75-7038, and amendments thereto. In order to remain eligible for grants the county or group of cooperating counties shall substantially comply with the operating standards established by the commissioner of juvenile justice.

(c) The commissioner of juvenile justice shall review annually the comprehensive plans submitted by a county or group of cooperating counties and the facilities and programs operated under such plans. The commissioner of juvenile justice is authorized to examine books, records, facilities and programs for purposes of recommending needed changes or improvements.

(d) In reviewing the comprehensive plan or any annual recommendations or revisions thereto, the commissioner of juvenile justice shall limit the scope of the review of the juvenile corrections advisory board’s statement of priorities, needs, budget, policies and procedures, to the determination that such statement does not directly conflict with rules and regulations and operating standards adopted pursuant to subsection (b) and K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, and includes provisions to address racial, geographic and other biases that may exist in the juvenile justice system.

(e) When the commissioner of juvenile justice determines that there are reasonable grounds to believe that a county or group of cooperating counties is not in substantial compliance with the minimum operating standards adopted pursuant to this section, at least 30 days’ notice shall be given the county or to each county in the group of cooperating counties and a hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act to ascertain whether there is substantial compliance or satisfactory progress being made toward compliance. If the commissioner of juvenile justice determines at such hearing that there is not substantial compliance or satisfactory progress being made toward compliance, the commissioner of juvenile justice may suspend all or a portion of any grant under K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, until the required standards of operation have been met.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 75-7046 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-7046. On and after July 1, 1997, juvenile corrections advisory boards established under the provisions of K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, shall actively participate in the formulation of the comprehensive plan for the development, implementation and operation of the juvenile correctional services described in K.S.A. 75-7038, and amendments thereto, in the county or group of cooperating counties, and shall make a formal recommendation to the board or boards of county commissioners at least annually concerning the comprehensive plan and its implementation and operation during the ensuing year. The formal recommendation concerning the comprehensive plan shall include provisions to address racial, geographic and other biases that may exist in the juvenile justice system.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 75-7048 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-7048. On and after July 1, 1997:

(a) The comprehensive plan submitted to the commissioner of juvenile justice for approval shall include those items prescribed by rules and regulations adopted by the commissioner, which may require the inclusion of the following:

(1) A program for the detention, supervision and treatment of persons under pretrial detention or under commitment;
(2) delivery of other correctional services defined in K.S.A. 75-7038, and amendments thereto; and
(3) proposals for new facilities, programs and services, which proposals must include a statement of the need, purposes and objectives of the proposal and the administrative structure, staffing pattern, staff training, financing, degree of community involvement and client participation which are planned for the proposal.

(b) The comprehensive plan submitted to the commissioner of juvenile justice for approval shall also include provisions to address racial, geographic and other biases that may exist in the juvenile justice system.

(c) In addition to the foregoing requirements made by this section, each county or group of counties shall be required to develop and implement a procedure for the review by the juvenile corrections advisory board and the board or boards of county commissioners of new program applications and other matters proposed to be included under the comprehensive plan and for the manner in which juvenile corrections advisory boards shall develop and implement the procedures.
board action shall be taken thereon. A description of this procedure shall be made available to members of the public upon request.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 75-7056 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-7056. (a) In order to establish a mechanism for community prevention and graduated sanctions service providers to participate in the juvenile justice authority annual budget planning process, the commissioner of the juvenile justice authority shall establish a community advisory committee to identify new or enhanced community graduated sanctions and prevention programs.

(b) Such advisory committee shall consist of 10 members. The commissioner shall appoint eight members from the four geographical regions of the state as described in this subsection with one member from each region representing prevention programs and one member representing graduated sanctions programs. The four regions shall correspond to the southeast community corrections association region, the northeast community corrections association region, the central community corrections association region and the western community corrections association region. The commissioner shall appoint two community corrections association members from the state at large. The committee shall reflect the diversity of juvenile offender community services with respect to geographical location and average daily population of offenders under supervision.

(c) Each member shall be appointed for a term of three years, except that the terms of the initial appointments shall be staggered as determined by the commissioner. Each member shall continue in such capacity until a successor is appointed. Members shall be eligible for reappointment, and appointment may be made to fill an unexpired term.

(d) (1) The committee, in cooperation with the deputy commissioner of contracts and community programs or the commissioner's designee, shall routinely examine and report to the commissioner on the following issues: (A) Efficiencies in the delivery of community supervision services including prevention and graduated sanction programs;

(B) effectiveness and enhancement of existing prevention and interventions and graduated sanctions; and

(C) identification of new interventions; and

(D) effectiveness of juvenile justice prevention, intervention and graduated sanctions programs in reducing racial, geographic and other biases that may exist in the juvenile justice system.

(2) Such report shall address measurable goals and objectives, projected costs, the impact on public safety and the valuation process.

(e) The advisory committee shall submit its report to the commissioner annually on or before July 15 in order for the enhanced or new interventions to be considered for inclusion within the juvenile justice authority's budget request for local and community services or in the juvenile justice authority's enhanced services budget request for the subsequent fiscal year.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 75-7038, 75-7043, 75-7046 and 75-7048 and K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 75-7007 and 75-7056 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

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