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46-263. Action upon commission's findings. When a report is submitted under K.S.A. 46-262, and amendments thereto:

(a) If the respondent is a legislator, the house to which such a report is made shall consider the report and impose censure or disqualification as a legislator, or the house may determine that neither censure nor disqualification is justified.

(b) If the respondent is a state officer or employee of the legislative branch, other than a legislator, the legislative coordinating council shall consider the report and impose censure or remove the state officer or employee from state service, or such council may determine that neither censure nor removal from office is justified. Such a determination by the legislative coordinating council shall be final.

(c) If the respondent is a state officer or employee of the judicial branch, the supreme court shall consider the report and impose censure or remove the state officer or employee from state service, or such court may determine that neither censure nor removal from office is justified. Such a determination by the supreme court shall be final.

(d) If the respondent is not a legislator and is not a state officer or employee of the legislative branch and is not subject to impeachment or of the judicial branch, the governor shall consider the report and impose censure or remove the state officer or employee from state service, or the governor may determine that neither censure nor removal from office is justified. Upon a determination by the governor of removal under this subsection, no right of appeal under the Kansas civil service act shall exist, but the determination of removal is subject to review in accordance with the Kansas judicial review act. In lieu of direct removal, the governor may direct the attorney general to bring ouster proceedings against the respondent.

(e) In the event the respondent is subject to impeachment, the commission shall refer the report to the house of representatives, in lieu of other procedures under this section.

History: L. 1974, ch. 353, § 49; L. 1986, ch. 318, § 67; L. 2010, ch. 17, § 83; July 1.