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20-346a. Parole and court services officers; retention of benefits. (a) The department of corrections shall have the functions and duties provided by law with regard to providing parole officers for felons placed on parole by the Kansas adult authority but shall not provide parole officers for the supervision of misdemeanants placed on parole by the district courts of this state. The department of corrections shall provide the visitation, supervision and other services regarding probationers and parolees which are required under the uniform act for out-of-state parolee supervision.

(b) All court services officers supervising adults and juveniles placed on probation by the district courts of this state and all court services officers supervising misdemeanants placed on parole by the district courts of this state shall be appointed by the district courts as provided by law. The supreme court shall prescribe the qualifications required of persons appointed as court services officers of the district courts. The compensation of court services officers of the district courts shall be paid by the state either in accordance with a compensation plan adopted by the supreme court or as may be otherwise specifically provided by law.

(c) Any probation and parole officers of the department of corrections who were terminated from service as officers and employees of that department because of the transfer of functions and duties from that department to the district courts under this section and who were appointed as court services officers of the district courts pursuant to this subsection as it existed prior to amendment by this act shall retain all retirement benefits and, to the extent feasible and compatible with the provisions of the judicial personnel system relating to nonjudicial employees of the district courts, these appointments shall be deemed to be transfers with all rights of civil service which had accrued to those officers and employees prior to July 1, 1979, and the service of each officer and employee so appointed and transferred shall be deemed to have been continuous.

History: L. 1978, ch. 120, § 14; L. 1984, ch. 112, § 2; July 1.