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Special Committee on Child Support Enforcement and Collection

Chairwoman McGinn and members of the committee, thank you for inviting me to speak today. My name is Amy Raymond and I am the Chief of Trial Court Services for the Office of Judicial Administration (OJA). Additionally, prior to joining OJA, I worked for YoungWilliams Child Support Services for almost 15 years.

Part of my duties at OJA include being a liaison between court trustees and the Kansas Payment Center (KPC). The Department for Children and Families contracts with YoungWilliams Child Support Services for the KPC. It is a centralized payment unit for child and spousal support orders and the KPC processes those payments for the entire state. I work with trustees and the KPC to resolve any issues that may arise and assist with making sure trustees are informed of change at KPC. Additionally, I serve as the OJA point of contact for court trustees. I provide technical assistance to OJA and others throughout the judicial branch on issues related to court trustees.

I also provide technical support to the Kansas Supreme Court's child support guidelines committee during its review period every four years. This committee is tasked with reviewing the guidelines and recommending proposed amendments based on changes in federal and state law. The committee is composed of various stakeholders such as judges, attorneys, and parents. Marc White, 3rd judicial district court trustee, also serves on this committee.

I am happy to provide more detail. I've provided a high-level overview because conversations like these can get into the weeds very quickly and I don't want to confuse anyone. I am happy to stand for any questions you may have.