HOUSE BILL No. 2135

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning alcohol and drug safety action programs; relating to the assessment fee; amending K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 8-1008 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 8-1008 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1008. (a) Community-based alcohol and drug safety action programs certified in accordance with subsection (b) shall provide:

- (1) Presentence alcohol and drug evaluations of any person who is convicted of a violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 and amendments thereto, or the ordinance of a city in this state which prohibits the acts prohibited by that statute:
- (2) supervision and monitoring of all persons who are convicted of a violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 and amendments thereto, or the ordinance of a city in this state which prohibits the acts prohibited by that statute, and whose sentences or terms of probation require completion of an alcohol and drug safety action program, as provided in this section, or an alcohol and drug abuse treatment program, as provided in this section;
- (3) alcohol and drug evaluations of persons whom the prosecutor considers for eligibility or finds eligible to enter a diversion agreement in lieu of further criminal proceedings on a complaint alleging a violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 and amendments thereto, or the ordinance of a city in this state which prohibits the acts prohibited by that statute;
- (4) supervision and monitoring of persons required, under a diversion agreement in lieu of further criminal proceedings on a complaint alleging a violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 and amendments thereto, or the ordinance of a city in this state which prohibits the acts prohibited by that statute, to complete an alcohol and drug safety action program, as provided in this section, or an alcohol and drug abuse treatment program, as provided in this section; or
 - (5) any combination of (1), (2), (3) and (4).
- (b) The presentence alcohol and drug evaluation shall be conducted by a community-based alcohol and drug safety action program certified in accordance with the provisions of this subsection to provide evaluation and supervision services as described in subsections (c) and (d). A com-

munity-based alcohol and drug safety action program shall be certified either by the chief judge of the judicial district to be served by the pro-3 gram or by the secretary of social and rehabilitation services for judicial districts in which the chief judge declines to certify a program. In addition 4 to any qualifications established by the secretary, the chief judge may 5 establish qualifications for the certification of programs, which qualifi-6 cations may include requirements for training, education and certification of personnel; supervision and monitoring of clients; fee reimbursement 8 procedures; handling of conflicts of interest; delivery of services to clients 10 unable to pay; and other matters relating to quality and delivery of services 11 by the program. In establishing the qualifications for programs, the chief judge or the secretary shall give preference to those programs which have 12 13 had practical experience prior to July 1, 1982, in diagnosis and referral in 14 alcohol and drug abuse. Certification of a program by the chief judge 15 shall be done with consultation and approval of a majority of the judges of the district court of the district and municipal judges of cities lying in 16 17 whole or in part within the district. If within 60 days after the effective 18 date of this act the chief judge declines to certify any program for the 19 judicial district, the judge shall notify the secretary of social and rehabil-20 itation services, and the secretary of social and rehabilitation services shall 21 certify a community-based alcohol and drug safety action program for 22 that judicial district. The certification shall be for a four-year period. Re-23 certification of a program or certification of a different program shall be 24 by the chief judge, with consultation and approval of a majority of the 25 judges of the district court of the district and municipal judges of cities lying in whole or in part within the district. If upon expiration of certifi-27 cation of a program there will be no certified program for the district and the chief judge declines to recertify or certify any program in the district, 28 29 the judge shall notify the secretary of social and rehabilitation services, at 30 least six months prior to the expiration of certification, that the judge declines to recertify or certify a program under this subsection. Upon 31 32 receipt of the notice and prior to the expiration of certification, the sec-33 retary shall recertify or certify a community-based alcohol and drug safety action program for the judicial district for the next four-year period. To 34 35 be eligible for certification under this subsection, the chief judge or the 36 secretary of social and rehabilitation services shall determine that a com-37 munity-based alcohol and drug safety action program meets the qualifications established by the judge or secretary and is capable of providing, 38 within the judicial district: (1) The evaluations, supervision and monitor-39 40 ing required under subsection (a); (2) the alcohol and drug evaluation report required under subsection (c) or (d); (3) the follow-up duties spec-41 42 ified under subsection (c) or (d) for persons who prepare the alcohol and drug evaluation report; and (4) any other functions and duties specified

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by law. Community-based alcohol and drug safety action programs performing services in any judicial district under this section prior to the effective date of this act may continue to perform those services until a community-based alcohol and drug safety action program is certified for that judicial district.

(c) A presentence alcohol and drug evaluation shall be conducted on any person who is convicted of a violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 and amendments thereto, or the ordinance of a city in this state which prohibits the acts prohibited by that statute. The presentence alcohol and drug evaluation report shall be made available to and shall be considered by the court prior to sentencing. The presentence alcohol and drug evaluation report shall contain a history of the defendant's prior traffic record, characteristics and alcohol or drug problems, or both, and a recommendation concerning the amenability of the defendant to education and rehabilitation. The presentence alcohol and drug evaluation report shall include a recommendation concerning the alcohol and drug driving safety education and treatment for the defendant. The presentence alcohol and drug evaluation report shall be prepared by a program which has demonstrated practical experience in the diagnosis of alcohol and drug abuse. The duties of persons who prepare the presentence alcohol and drug evaluation report may also include appearing at sentencing and probation hearings in accordance with the orders of the court, monitoring defendants in the treatment programs, notifying the probation department and the court of any defendant failing to meet the conditions of probation or referrals to treatment, appearing at revocation hearings as may be required and providing assistance and data reporting and program evaluation. The cost of any alcohol and drug education, rehabilitation and treatment programs for any person shall be paid by such person, and such costs shall include, but not be limited to, the assessments required by subsection (e). If financial obligations are not met or cannot be met, the sentencing court shall be notified for the purpose of collection or review and further action on the defendant's sentence.

(d) An alcohol and drug evaluation shall be conducted on any person whom the prosecutor considers for eligibility or finds eligible to enter a diversion agreement in lieu of further criminal proceedings on a complaint alleging a violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 and amendments thereto, or the ordinance of a city in this state which prohibits the acts prohibited by that statute. The alcohol and drug evaluation report shall be made available to the prosecuting attorney and shall be considered by the prosecuting attorney. The alcohol and drug evaluation report shall contain a history of the person's prior traffic record, characteristics and alcohol or drug problems, or both, and a recommendation concerning the amenability of the person to education and rehabilitation. The alcohol and drug

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(e) In addition to any fines, fees, penalties or costs levied against a person who is convicted of a violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 and amendments thereto, or the ordinance of a city in this state which prohibits the acts prohibited by that statute, or who enters a diversion agreement in lieu of further criminal proceedings on a complaint alleging a violation of that statute or such an ordinance, \$125 \$150 shall be assessed against the person by the sentencing court or under the diversion agreement. The \$125 \$150 assessment may be waived by the court or, in the case of diversion of criminal proceedings, by the prosecuting attorney, if the court or prosecuting attorney finds that the defendant is an indigent person. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the clerk of the court shall deposit all assessments received under this section in the alcohol and drug safety action fund of the court, which fund shall be subject to the administration of the judge having administrative authority over that court. If the secretary of social and rehabilitation services certifies the community-based alcohol and drug safety action program for the judicial district in which the court is located, the clerk of the court shall remit, during the four-year period for which the program is certified, 15% of all assessments received under this section to the secretary of social and rehabilitation services. Moneys credited to the alcohol and drug safety action fund shall be expended by the court, pursuant to vouchers signed by the judge having administrative authority over that court, only for costs of the services specified by subsection (a) or otherwise required or authorized by law and provided by community-based alcohol and drug safety action programs, except that not more than 10% of the money credited to the fund may be expended to cover the expenses of the court involved in administering the provisions of this section. In the provision of these services the court shall contract as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section. The district or municipal judge having administrative authority over that court shall compile a report and send such report to the office of the state judicial administrator on or before January HB 2135

20 of each year, beginning January 20, 1991. Such report shall include, but not be limited to:

- (1) The balance of the alcohol and drug safety action fund of the court on December 31 of each year;
- (2) the assessments deposited into the fund during the 12-month period ending the preceding December 31; and
- (3) the dollar amounts expended from the fund during the 12-month period ending the preceding December 31.

The office of the state judicial administrator shall compile such reports into a statewide report and submit such statewide report to the legislature on or before March 1 of each year.

- (f) The secretary of social and rehabilitation services shall remit all moneys received by the secretary under this section to the state treasurer at least monthly. Upon receipt of the remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury and credit it to the certification of community-based alcohol and drug safety action programs fee fund, which is hereby created. All expenditures from such fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary of social and rehabilitation services or a person designated by the secretary.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 8-1008 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.