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 **HOUSE BILL No. 2472** 

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning adoption; amending K.S.A. 59-2116 and repealing the existing section.

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

New Section 1. (a) The department of social and rehabilitation services shall cause to be published and distributed widely an easily comprehensible printed pamphlet describing the:

- (1) Consent and relinquishment laws in Kansas concerning adoption. Such pamphlet shall clearly state that consent or relinquishment may not be given by the mother or accepted until 72 hours after the birth of the child:
  - (2) rights of the birth parents and adopting parents; and
  - (3) fees allowed to be paid in connection with an adoption.
- (b) The materials required under this section shall be available at no cost from the department upon request and in appropriate number to any person or agency.
- (c) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas adoption and relinquishment act.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 59-2116 is hereby amended to read as follows: 59-2116. A consent or relinquishment may not be given by the mother or accepted until 12 72 hours after the birth of a child. Any consent or relinquishment given by the mother before 12 72 hours after the birth of a child is voidable, prior to the final decree of adoption.
  - Sec. 3. K.S.A. 59-2116 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.