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SENATE BILL No. 174

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning juvenile offenders; relating to detention; responsibility and payment of expenses; juvenile detention facilities fund;
amending K.S.A. 38-1616 and 38-1671 and K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 79-4803
and repealing the existing sections.

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

15Section 1. K.S.A. 38-1616 is hereby amended to read as follows: 38-16 1616. (a) How paid. (1) If a juvenile accused of being or adjudicated to 17be a juvenile offender is not eligible for assistance under K.S.A. 39-709 18 and amendments thereto, expenses for the care and custody of the ju-19venile shall be paid out of the general fund of the county in which the 20proceedings are brought. For the purpose of this section, a juvenile who 21is a nonresident of the state of Kansas or whose residence is unknown 22 shall have residence in the county where the proceedings are instituted. 23 When a law enforcement officer has taken a juvenile into custody (2)24as authorized by subsection (a) of K.S.A. 38-1624 and amendments 25thereto and delivered the juvenile to a person or facility, other than a 26 juvenile detention facility, designated by the commissioner or when cus-

tody of a juvenile is awarded to the commissioner, the expenses of the care and custody of the juvenile may be paid by the commissioner, subject to payment or reimbursement as required in subsection (b), even though the juvenile does not meet the eligibility standards of K.S.A. 39-709 and amendments thereto.

32 When the custody of a juvenile is awarded to the commissioner, (3)33 the expenses for the care and custody of the juvenile from the date of 34 custody forward shall not be paid out of the county general fund, except 35 as provided in subsection (d) and subsection (b)(3) of K.S.A. 38-1671, and 36 amendments thereto. The financial responsibility of the state for juveniles held in detention shall be in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 79-37 38 4803, and amendments thereto. In no event shall the payment authorized 39 by this subsection exceed the state approved rate for juveniles held in 40excess of the permitted time provided in subsection (d)(3).

41 (4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to mean that any person42 shall be relieved of legal responsibility to support a juvenile.

43 (b) Reimbursement to county general fund. (1) When expenses for

1 the care and custody of a juvenile accused of being or adjudicated to be 2 a juvenile offender have been paid out of the county general fund of any 3 county in this state, the court may fix a time and place for hearing on the 4 question of requiring payment or reimbursement of all or part of the 5 expenses by a person who by law is liable to maintain, care for or support 6 the juvenile.

7 (2) The court, after notice to the person who by law is liable to main-8 tain, care for or support the juvenile, may hear and dispose of the matter 9 and may enter an order relating to payment of expenses for care and 10 custody of the juvenile. If the person willfully fails or refuses to pay the 11 sum, the person may be adjudged in contempt of court and punished 12 accordingly.

(3) Any county which makes payment to maintain, care for or support
an accused or adjudicated juvenile offender may bring a separate action
against a person who by law is liable to maintain, care for or support such
juvenile for the reimbursement of expenses paid out of the county general
fund for the care and custody of the juvenile.

18(c) *Reimbursement to the commissioner.* When expenses for the care 19 and custody of a juvenile accused of being or adjudicated to be a juvenile 20 offender have been paid by the commissioner, the commissioner may 21recover the expenses as provided by law from any person who by law is 22 liable to maintain, care for or support the juvenile. The commissioner 23shall have the power to compromise and settle any claim due or any 24amount claimed to be due to the commissioner from any person who by 25law is liable to maintain, care for or support the juvenile. The commis-26 sioner may contract with a state agency, contract with an individual or 27hire personnel to collect the reimbursements required under this 28subsection.

29(d) When a county has made an interlocal agreement to maintain, 30 eare for or support juvenile offenders who are residents of another county and such other county is a party to the interlocal agreement with the 31 32 county which performs the actual maintenance, care and support of the 33 accused or adjudicated juvenile offender, such county of residence may 34 pay from its county general fund to the other county whatever amount is 35 agreed upon in the interlocal agreement irrespective of any amount paid or to be paid by the juvenile justice authority. The juvenile justice au-36 37 thority shall not diminish the amount it would otherwise reimburse any such county for maintaining, caring for and supporting any such accused 38 or adjudicated juvenile offender because of any payment under such an 39 interlocal agreement. (1) When the custody of a juvenile offender or an 40alleged juvenile offender is awarded to the commissioner pursuant to sub-4142 section (g) of K.S.A. 38-1632 or subsection (4) of K.S.A. 38-1663, and

43 amendments thereto, the clerk of the court entering the order shall notify

the commissioner or the designee of the commissioner of such order. A
 copy of the order, journal entry or judges minutes shall serve as sufficient
 notice to the commissioner of the award of custody by which placement
 can be made.

5 (2) The commissioner shall provide the clerk of the district court of 6 each judicial district with the name of the individual or agency who shall 7 serve as the designee for the delivery of the notice required in subsection 8 (d)(1).

9 (3) The commissioner shall have three days from the receipt of the 10 notice in which to remove the juvenile offender from a detention center 11 placement, and the commissioner shall be charged with the expense for 12 care and custody if the juvenile remains in a detention placement 10 days 13 after receiving notice.

14 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 38-1671 is hereby amended to read as follows: 38-151671. (a) Actions by the court. (1) When a juvenile offender has been 16 committed to a juvenile correctional facility, the clerk of the court shall 17forthwith notify the commissioner of the commitment and provide the commissioner with a certified copy of the complaint, the journal entry of 1819 the trial and the sentence. The court shall also forward those items from 20the social file which could relate to a rehabilitative program. If the court 21 wishes to recommend placement of the juvenile offender in a specific 22 juvenile correctional facility, the recommendation shall be included in the 23sentence. After the court has received notice of the juvenile correctional 24facility designated as provided in subsection (b), it shall be the duty of 25the court or the sheriff of the county to deliver the juvenile offender to 26 the facility at the time designated by the commissioner.

(2) When a juvenile offender is residing in a juvenile correctional
facility and is required to go back to court for any reason, the county
demanding the juvenile's presence shall be responsible for transportation,
detention, custody and control of such offender. In these cases, the county
sheriff shall be responsible for all transportation, detention, custody and
control of such offender.

(b) Actions by the commissioner. (1) After receiving notice of commitment as provided in subsection (a), the commissioner shall give the committing court notice within three business days designating the juvenile correctional facility to which the juvenile offender is to be admitted and the date of the admission which shall be no later than 10 business days from the receipt of the notice of commitment as provided in subsection (a).

40 (2) Except as provided by K.S.A. 38-1691, and amendments thereto, 41 the commissioner may make any temporary out-of-home placement the 42 commissioner deems appropriate pending placement of the juvenile of-

43 fender in a juvenile correctional facility, and the commissioner shall notify

the court, local law enforcement agency and school district in which the
 juvenile will be residing if the juvenile is still required to attend a sec ondary school of that placement.

4 (c) *Transfers*. During the time a juvenile offender remains committed 5 to a juvenile correctional facility, the commissioner may transfer the ju-6 venile offender from one juvenile correctional facility to another.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 79-4803 is hereby amended to read as
follows: 79-4803. (a) After the transfer of moneys pursuant to K.S.A. 2000
Supp. 79-4806, and amendments thereto:

(1) An amount equal to 10% of the balance of all moneys credited to
the state gaming revenues fund shall be transferred and credited to the
correctional institutions building fund created pursuant to K.S.A. 76-6b09
and amendments thereto, to be appropriated by the legislature for the
use and benefit of state correctional institutions as provided in K.S.A. 766b09 and amendments thereto; and

(2) an amount equal to 5% of the balance of all moneys credited to
the state gaming revenues fund shall be transferred and credited to the
juvenile detention facilities fund.

19 (b) There is hereby created in the state treasury the juvenile deten-20 tion facilities fund which shall be administered by the commissioner of 21juvenile justice. The Kansas advisory group on juvenile justice and delin-22 quency prevention shall review and make recommendations concerning 23the administration of the fund. All expenditures from the juvenile deten-24tion facilities fund shall be for the retirement of debt of facilities for the 25detention of juveniles; or for the construction, removation, remodeling or 26 operational costs of facilities for the detention of juveniles in accordance 27 with a grant program which shall be established with grant criteria de-28signed to facilitate the expeditious award and payment of grants for the 29 purposes for which the moneys are intended and for the payment of all 30 per diem rates and all other expenses associated with juvenile detention. 31 "Operational costs" shall not be limited to any per capita reimbursement 32 by the commissioner of juvenile justice for juveniles under the supervision 33 and custody of the commissioner but shall include payments to counties 34 as and for their costs of operating the facility. The commissioner of ju-35 venile justice shall make grants required payments of the moneys credited 36 to the juvenile detention facilities fund for such purposes to counties in 37 accordance with such grant program as provided by subsections (c) and 38 (d). All expenditures from the juvenile detention facilities fund shall be 39 made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director 40of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the commissioner of juvenile justice or the commissioner's designee. 41

42 (c) The commissioner shall assure adequate funds are available to 43 meet the obligations of the fund by maintaining a minimum balance in 1 the fund which is equal to two times the amount required to be paid for 2 the next bond and interest payment which is an obligation of the fund. 3 Any balance of funds reserved for payment of detention bond and interest 4 payments remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be restored to the 5 fund as necessary to maintain the minimum balance for the next bond 6 and interest payments as provided in this section.

(d) Once each quarter year the commissioner shall determine and pay from the available balance of funds grant awards to fund balance divided by the total number of licensed county government operated juvenile de-tention center beds to determine a per bed allocation. The per bed allo-cation shall then be multiplied by the number of licensed beds of each county government operated facility according to the license issued by the secretary of the Kansas department of health and environment to determine the amount of the award for each facility. The secretary of the department of health and environment shall certify the number of such juvenile detention center beds quarterly to the commissioner.

(e) In accordance with subsection (d) of K.S.A. 38-1616, and amendments thereto, if a juvenile remains in detention 10 days after the commissioner has received notice of a youth center placement, the expenses
shall be paid by the commissioner.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 38-1616 and 38-1671 and K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 79-4803
are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after itspublication in the statute book.