Session of 2002

HOUSE BILL No. 2778

By Representative Shultz

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AN ACT concerning jurors; relating to mothers breastfeeding her child; amending K.S.A. 43-158 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 43-158 is hereby amended to read as follows: 43-158. The following persons shall be excused from jury service: (a) Persons unable to understand the English language with a degree of proficiency sufficient to respond to a jury questionnaire form prepared by the commissioner;

- (b) persons under adjudication of incompetency;
- (c) persons who within 10 years immediately preceding have been convicted of or pleaded guilty, or *nolo contendere*, to an indictment or information charging a felony; and
- (d) persons who have served as jurors in the county within one year immediately preceding; and
- (e) a mother breastfeeding her child. Jury service shall be postponed until such mother is no longer breast feeding the child.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 43-158 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.