

HOUSE BILL No. 2568

AN ACT concerning crimes, criminal procedure and punishment; relating to certain criminal defendants; assessment fee; establishing the children's advocacy center fund.

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

Section 1. (a) Any defendant convicted of a crime under chapters 34, 35 or 36 of article 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, in which a minor is a victim shall pay an assessment fee in the amount of \$100 commencing on and after June 30, 2004, to the clerk of the district court. If it appears to the satisfaction of the court that payment of the assessment fee will impose manifest hardship on the defendant, the court may waive payment of all or part of the assessment fee. All moneys received pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the children's advocacy center fund established in subsection (b).

(b) There is hereby established the children's advocacy center fund in the state treasury which shall be administered by the attorney general. All expenditures from the children's advocacy center fund shall be for operating expenditures of children's advocacy centers in the state that are eligible for funding pursuant to law. All expenditures from the children's advocacy center fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the attorney general or the attorney general's designee.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and passed that body

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Passed the SENATE _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

APPROVED _____

Governor.