SENATE BILL No. 268

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT relating to crimes and punishment; concerning use of force; amending K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 21-3211 and 21-3212 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 21-3218 and 21-3219.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 21-3211 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21-3211. (a) A person is justified in the use of force against another an aggressor when and to the extent it appears to such person and such person reasonably believes that such force conduct is necessary to defend such person or a third person against such other's imminent use of unlawful force.

- (b) A person is justified in the use of deadly force under circumstances described in subsection (a) if such person reasonably believes deadly force is necessary to prevent imminent death or great bodily harm to such person or a third person.
- (e) Nothing in this section shall require a person to retreat if such person is using force to protect such person or a third person.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 21-3212 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21-3212. (a) A person is justified in the use of force against another when and to the extent that it appears to such person and such person reasonably believes that such force conduct is necessary to prevent or terminate such other's unlawful entry into or attack upon such person's dwelling or occupied vehicle.
- (b) A person is justified in the use of deadly force to prevent or terminate unlawful entry into or attack upon any dwelling or occupied vehicle if such person reasonably believes deadly force is necessary to prevent imminent death or great bodily harm to such person or another.
- (c) Nothing in this section shall require a person to retreat if such person is using force to protect such person's dwelling or occupied vehicle.
- 40 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 21-3211, 21-3212, 21-3218 and 21-3219 41 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.