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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 208

As Agreed to May, 2002

Brief*

The Conference Committee agreed to the House amendments plus a technical amendment to the DUI law.

House Sub. for SB 208 enacts the new crime of abusing toxic vapors defined as knowingly possessing, buying, using, smelling, or inhaling the fumes of toxic vapors or knowingly aiding another to use such a substance for the purpose of causing a condition of euphoria, excitement, exhilaration, or dulled senses of the nervous system. In addition, the bill amends the DUI statute (KSA 8-1567) to include toxic vapors in the definition of drugs.

The term toxic vapor includes a laundry list of chemicals outlined in the bill. The crime of abusing toxic vapors would be a class B nonperson misdemeanor. In addition to any sentence or fine, the abuser will be ordered to enroll in and successfully complete an alcohol and drug safety action education program or treatment program.

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