

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **HB 2070** be amended by substituting with a new bill to be designated as "Senate Substitute for HOUSE BILL NO. 2070," as follows:

"Senate Substitute for HOUSE BILL NO. 2070

By Committee on Judiciary

"AN ACT concerning children and minors; establishing the office of the child advocate as an independent state agency and prescribing certain powers, duties and functions therefor; authorizing access to certain records; relating to children in need of care; making orders granting custody for adoption subject to the federal Indian child welfare act; directing the secretary for children and families to consider foster parents as prospective adoptive parents under certain circumstances; requiring the secretary to report certain data on adoptions; authorizing the appeal of any order of placement of a child; providing for retroactivity; amending K.S.A. 38-2203, 38-2213, 38-2270, 38-2273, 38-2309 and 38-2310 and K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 38-2211 and 38-2212 and repealing the existing sections.";

And the substitute bill be passed.

Chairperson