

38-2287. Child in custody, victim of certain conduct; special assessment to determine safety, placement and treatment needs. (a) Whenever a child is in custody, as defined in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 38-2202, and amendments thereto, and such child has been subjected to human trafficking or aggravated human trafficking, as defined by K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 21-5426, and amendments thereto, or commercial sexual exploitation of a child, as defined by K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 21-6422, and amendments thereto, or the child committed an act which, if committed by an adult, would constitute a violation of K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 21-6419, and amendments thereto, the court shall refer the child to the secretary of the department for children and families for an assessment to determine safety, placement and treatment needs for the child. The secretary shall use a research-based assessment tool to assess such needs and shall make appropriate recommendations to the court.

(b) When any law enforcement officer takes into custody any child as provided in subsection (b)(3) of K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 38-2231, and amendments thereto, the law enforcement officer shall contact the department for children and families to begin an assessment to determine safety, placement and treatment needs for the child. The secretary of the department for children and families shall use a rapid response team to begin such assessment for appropriate and timely placement.

(c) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the revised Kansas code for care of children.

(d) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2014.

History: L. 2013, ch. 120, § 5; July 1.