

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Children and Seniors** recommends **HB 2403** be amended on page 1, in line 9, by striking all after "(1)"; by striking all in lines 10 through 21; in line 22, by striking all before the semicolon and inserting "Data on child maltreatment and demographic trends impacting the child welfare system;

(2) the duties, responsibilities and contributions of the Kansas department for children and families, the Kansas department for aging and disability services, the department of health and environment, the department of corrections, law enforcement and the judicial branch that comprise and impact the child welfare system;

(3) the programs, services and benefits offered directly or through grants or contracts by the Kansas department for children and families, the Kansas department for aging and disability services, the department of health and environment, the department of corrections, law enforcement and the judicial branch that impact children and families at risk of becoming involved or who are involved in the child welfare system, including:

(A) Child maltreatment prevention;

(B) investigations of child maltreatment;

(C) in-home family services, including services offered through federal prevention and family preservation funding; and

(D) foster care, reintegration and adoption services;

(4) trends, performance outcomes, activities and improvement plans related to the federal child and family services reviews;

(5) reports from child welfare-related groups, including, but not limited to, citizen review panels, the Kansas supreme court permanency planning task force, the Kansas children's cabinet and any interim study committees or work groups authorized by the Kansas legislature;

(6) implementation of the 2019 child welfare system task force report recommendations, including top-tier recommendations related to the child welfare workforce, data technology, access to behavioral healthcare for high-risk youth and implementation of the federal family first prevention services act;

(7) reports on concerns received from the Kansas department for children and families child welfare ombudsman or customer service department or similar office;

(8) opportunities for Kansas to strengthen the child welfare system through evidence-based interventions and services for children and families";

On page 2, in line 31, by striking "before August" and inserting "after January"; in line 32, by striking "2019" and inserting "2020"; in line 34, by striking "for two consecutive days"; in line 36, by striking all after "year"; in line 37, by striking all before the period;

And by redesignating subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs and clauses accordingly; and the bill be passed as amended.

_____Chairperson