Session of 2024

## SENATE BILL No. 380

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning crimes, punishment and criminal procedure; relating to sentencing; clarifying a special sentencing rule applicable to violations of criminal discharge of a firearm when a person was present in the dwelling, building, structure or motor vehicle at which the offender discharged a firearm; amending K.S.A. 21-6804 and repealing the existing section.

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

9 Section 1. K.S.A. 21-6804 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21-10 6804. (a) The provisions of this section shall be applicable to the 11 sentencing guidelines grid for nondrug crimes. The following sentencing 12 guidelines grid shall be applicable to nondrug felony crimes:

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1 (b) Sentences expressed in the sentencing guidelines grid for nondrug 2 crimes represent months of imprisonment.

3 (c) The sentencing guidelines grid is a two-dimensional crime severity and criminal history classification tool. The grid's vertical axis is 4 the crime severity scale which classifies current crimes of conviction. The 5 grid's horizontal axis is the criminal history scale which classifies criminal 6 7 histories.

8 The sentencing guidelines grid for nondrug crimes as provided in (d) this section defines presumptive punishments for felony convictions, 9 subject to the sentencing court's discretion to enter a departure sentence. 10 The appropriate punishment for a felony conviction should depend on the 11 12 severity of the crime of conviction when compared to all other crimes and 13 the offender's criminal history.

(e) (1) The sentencing court has discretion to sentence at any place 14 15 within the sentencing range. In the usual case it is recommended that the 16 sentencing judge select the center of the range and reserve the upper and 17 lower limits for aggravating and mitigating factors insufficient to warrant a 18 departure.

19 (2) In presumptive imprisonment cases, the sentencing court shall 20 pronounce the complete sentence which shall include the: 21

(A) Prison sentence;

22 (B) maximum potential reduction to such sentence as a result of good 23 time: and

24 (C) period of postrelease supervision at the sentencing hearing. 25 Failure to pronounce the period of postrelease supervision shall not negate 26 the existence of such period of postrelease supervision.

27 (3) In presumptive nonprison cases, the sentencing court shall 28 pronounce the:

29 30 (A) Prison sentence; and

(B) duration of the nonprison sanction at the sentencing hearing.

31 (f) Each grid block states the presumptive sentencing range for an 32 offender whose crime of conviction and criminal history place such 33 offender in that grid block. If an offense is classified in a grid block below 34 dispositional the line, the presumptive disposition shall nonimprisonment. If an offense is classified in a grid block above the 35 36 dispositional line, the presumptive disposition shall be imprisonment. If an offense is classified in grid blocks 5-H, 5-I or 6-G, the court may impose 37 an optional nonprison sentence as provided in subsection (q). 38

39 (g) The sentence for a violation of K.S.A. 21-3415, prior to its repeal, 40 aggravated battery against a law enforcement officer committed prior to July 1, 2006, or a violation of K.S.A. 21-5412(d), and amendments 41 42 thereto, aggravated assault against a law enforcement officer, which places 43 the defendant's sentence in grid block 6-H or 6-I shall be presumed 44 imprisonment. The court may impose an optional nonprison sentence as 45 provided in subsection (q).

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(h) When a firearm is used to commit any person felony, the

1 offender's sentence shall be presumed imprisonment. The court may 2 impose an optional nonprison sentence as provided in subsection (q).

(i) (1) The sentence for the violation of the felony provision of K.S.A.
21-5414(c)(1)(C), 21-5823(b)(3) and (b)(4), 21-6412 and 21-6416, and
amendments thereto, shall be as provided by the specific mandatory
sentencing requirements of that section and shall not be subject to the
provisions of this section or K.S.A. 21-6807, and amendments thereto.

8 (2) If because of the offender's criminal history classification the 9 offender is subject to presumptive imprisonment or if the judge departs 10 from a presumptive probation sentence and the offender is subject to 11 imprisonment, the provisions of this section and K.S.A. 21-6807, and 12 amendments thereto, shall apply and the offender shall not be subject to 13 the mandatory sentence as provided in K.S.A. 21-5823, and amendments 14 thereto.

15 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other section, the term of 16 imprisonment imposed for the violation of the felony provision of K.S.A. 17 21-5414(c)(1)(C), 21-5823(b)(3) and (b)(4), 21-6412 and 21-6416, and 18 amendments thereto, shall not be served in a state facility in the custody of 19 the secretary of corrections. Prior to imposing any sentence pursuant to 20 this subsection, the court may consider assigning the defendant to a house 21 arrest program pursuant to K.S.A. 21-6609, and amendments thereto.

(j) (1) The sentence for any persistent sex offender whose current convicted crime carries a presumptive term of imprisonment shall be double the maximum duration of the presumptive imprisonment term. The sentence for any persistent sex offender whose current conviction carries a presumptive nonprison term shall be presumed imprisonment and shall be double the maximum duration of the presumptive imprisonment term.

28 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, as used in this29 subsection, "persistent sex offender" means a person who:

30 (A) (i) Has been convicted in this state of a sexually violent crime, as 31 defined in K.S.A. 22-3717, and amendments thereto; and

(ii) at the time of the conviction under clause (i) has at least one
 conviction for a sexually violent crime, as defined in K.S.A. 22-3717, and
 amendments thereto, in this state or comparable felony under the laws of
 another state, the federal government or a foreign government; or

(B) (i) has been convicted of rape, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3502,
prior to its repeal, or K.S.A. 21-5503, and amendments thereto; and

(ii) at the time of the conviction under clause (i) has at least one
 conviction for rape in this state or comparable felony under the laws of
 another state, the federal government or a foreign government.

41 (3) Except as provided in subsection (j)(2)(B), the provisions of this
42 subsection shall not apply to any person whose current convicted crime is
43 a severity level 1 or 2 felony.

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1 (k) (1) If it is shown at sentencing that the offender committed any 2 felony violation for the benefit of, at the direction of, or in association with 3 any criminal street gang, with the specific intent to promote, further or 4 assist in any criminal conduct by gang members, the offender's sentence 5 shall be presumed imprisonment. The court may impose an optional 6 nonprison sentence as provided in subsection (q).

7 (2) As used in this subsection, "criminal street gang" means any 8 organization, association or group of three or more persons, whether 9 formal or informal, having as one of its primary activities:

(A) (i) The commission of one or more person felonies; or

(B)(*ii*) the commission of felony violations of article 57 of chapter 21
 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, K.S.A. 2010
 Supp. 21-36a01 through 21-36a17, prior to their transfer, or any felony
 violation of any provision of the uniform controlled substances act prior to
 July 1, 2009; and

16 (C)(B) its members have a common name or common identifying 17 sign or symbol; and

 $(\mathbf{D})(C)$  its members, individually or collectively, engage in or have 18 19 engaged in the commission, attempted commission, conspiracy to commit 20 or solicitation of two or more person felonies or felony violations of article 21 57 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments 22 thereto, K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 21-36a01 through 21-36a17, prior to their 23 transfer, any felony violation of any provision of the uniform controlled 24 substances act prior to July 1, 2009, or any substantially similar offense 25 from another jurisdiction.

26 (1) Except as provided in subsection (o), the sentence for a violation 27 of K.S.A. 21-5807(a)(1), and amendments thereto, or any attempt or 28 conspiracy, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5301 and 21-5302, and amendments 29 thereto, to commit such offense, when such person being sentenced has a 30 prior conviction for a violation of K.S.A. 21-3715(a) or (b), prior to its 31 repeal, 21-3716, prior to its repeal, K.S.A. 21-5807(a)(1) or (a)(2) or 21-32 5807(b), and amendments thereto, or any attempt or conspiracy to commit 33 such offense, shall be presumptive imprisonment.

(m) The sentence for a violation of K.S.A. 22-4903 or K.S.A. 215913(a)(2), and amendments thereto, shall be presumptive imprisonment.
If an offense under such sections is classified in grid blocks 5-E, 5-F, 5-G,
5-H or 5-I, the court may impose an optional nonprison sentence as
provided in subsection (q).

(n) The sentence for a violation of criminal deprivation of property, as
defined in K.S.A. 21-5803, and amendments thereto, when such property
is a motor vehicle, and when such person being sentenced has any
combination of two or more prior convictions of K.S.A. 21-3705(b), prior
to its repeal, or of criminal deprivation of property, as defined in K.S.A.

21-5803, and amendments thereto, when such property is a motor vehicle,
 shall be presumptive imprisonment. Such sentence shall not be considered
 a departure and shall not be subject to appeal.

4 (o) (1) The sentence for a felony violation of theft of property as 5 defined in K.S.A. 21-5801, and amendments thereto, or burglary as 6 defined in K.S.A. 21-5807(a), and amendments thereto, when such person 7 being sentenced has no prior convictions for a violation of K.S.A. 21-3701 8 or 21-3715, prior to their repeal, or theft of property as defined in K.S.A. 21-5801, and amendments thereto, or burglary as defined in K.S.A. 21-9 10 5807(a), and amendments thereto; or the sentence for a felony violation of theft of property as defined in K.S.A. 21-5801, and amendments thereto, 11 12 when such person being sentenced has one or two prior felony convictions for a violation of K.S.A. 21-3701, 21-3715 or 21-3716, prior to their 13 14 repeal, or theft of property as defined in K.S.A. 21-5801, and amendments 15 thereto, or burglary or aggravated burglary as defined in K.S.A. 21-5807, 16 and amendments thereto; or the sentence for a felony violation of burglary 17 as defined in K.S.A. 21-5807(a), and amendments thereto, when such 18 person being sentenced has one prior felony conviction for a violation of 19 K.S.A. 21-3701, 21-3715 or 21-3716, prior to their repeal, or theft of property as defined in K.S.A. 21-5801, and amendments thereto, or 20 21 burglary or aggravated burglary as defined in K.S.A. 21-5807, and 22 amendments thereto, shall be the sentence as provided by this section, 23 except that the court may order an optional nonprison sentence for a 24 defendant to participate in a drug treatment program, including, but not 25 limited to, an approved aftercare plan, if the court makes the following 26 findings on the record:

(A) Substance abuse was an underlying factor in the commission ofthe crime;

(B) substance abuse treatment in the community is likely to be more
effective than a prison term in reducing the risk of offender recidivism;
and

32 (C) participation in an intensive substance abuse treatment program33 will serve community safety interests.

(2) A defendant sentenced to an optional nonprison sentence under
this subsection shall be supervised by community correctional services.
The provisions of K.S.A. 21-6824(f)(1), and amendments thereto, shall
apply to a defendant sentenced under this subsection. The sentence under
this subsection shall not be considered a departure and shall not be subject
to appeal.

(p) (1) The sentence for a felony violation of theft of property as
defined in K.S.A. 21-5801, and amendments thereto, when such person
being sentenced has any combination of three or more prior felony
convictions for violations of K.S.A. 21-3701, 21-3715 or 21-3716, prior to

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their repeal, or theft of property as defined in K.S.A. 21-5801, and 1 2 amendments thereto, or burglary or aggravated burglary as defined in K.S.A. 21-5807, and amendments thereto; or the sentence for a violation 3 of burglary as defined in K.S.A. 21-5807(a), and amendments thereto, 4 5 when such person being sentenced has any combination of two or more 6 prior convictions for violations of K.S.A. 21-3701, 21-3715 and 21-3716, 7 prior to their repeal, or theft of property as defined in K.S.A. 21-5801, and 8 amendments thereto, or burglary or aggravated burglary as defined in 21-5807, and amendments thereto, 9 K.S.A. shall be presumed imprisonment and the defendant shall be sentenced to prison as provided 10 by this section, except that the court may recommend that an offender be 11 12 placed in the custody of the secretary of corrections, in a facility designated by the secretary to participate in an intensive substance abuse 13 14 treatment program, upon making the following findings on the record:

15 (A) Substance abuse was an underlying factor in the commission of 16 the crime;

(B) substance abuse treatment with a possibility of an early release
from imprisonment is likely to be more effective than a prison term in
reducing the risk of offender recidivism; and

(C) participation in an intensive substance abuse treatment program
 with the possibility of an early release from imprisonment will serve
 community safety interests by promoting offender reformation.

23 (2) The intensive substance abuse treatment program shall be 24 determined by the secretary of corrections, but shall be for a period of at 25 least four months. Upon the successful completion of such intensive treatment program, the offender shall be returned to the court and the court 26 27 may modify the sentence by directing that a less severe penalty be 28 imposed in lieu of that originally adjudged within statutory limits. If the 29 offender's term of imprisonment expires, the offender shall be placed 30 under the applicable period of postrelease supervision. The sentence under 31 this subsection shall not be considered a departure and shall not be subject 32 to appeal.

(q) (1) As used in this section, an "optional nonprison sentence" is a
sentence which the court may impose, in lieu of the presumptive sentence,
upon making the following findings on the record:

(A) An appropriate treatment program exists which is likely to be
 more effective than the presumptive prison term in reducing the risk of
 offender recidivism; and

(B) the recommended treatment program is available and the offendercan be admitted to such program within a reasonable period of time; or

41 (C) the nonprison sanction will serve community safety interests by 42 promoting offender reformation.

(2) Any decision made by the court regarding the imposition of an

optional nonprison sentence shall not be considered a departure and shall
 not be subject to appeal.

(r) The sentence for a violation of K.S.A. 21-5413(c)(2), and
amendments thereto, shall be presumptive imprisonment and shall be
served consecutively to any other term or terms of imprisonment imposed.
Such sentence shall not be considered a departure and shall not be subject
to appeal.

8 (s) The sentence for a violation of K.S.A. 21-5512, and amendments 9 thereto, shall be presumptive imprisonment. Such sentence shall not be 10 considered a departure and shall not be subject to appeal.

(t) (1) If the trier of fact makes a finding beyond a reasonable doubt that an offender wore or used ballistic resistant material in the commission of, or attempt to commit, or flight from any felony, in addition to the sentence imposed pursuant to the Kansas sentencing guidelines act, the offender shall be sentenced to an additional 30 months' imprisonment.

16 (2) The sentence imposed pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be 17 presumptive imprisonment and shall be served consecutively to any other 18 term or terms of imprisonment imposed. Such sentence shall not be 19 considered a departure and shall not be subject to appeal.

20 (3) As used in this subsection, "ballistic resistant material" means 21 any:

(A) Commercially produced material designed with the purpose of
 providing ballistic and trauma protection, including, but not limited to,
 bulletproof vests and kevlar vests; and

25 (B) homemade or fabricated substance or item designed with the 26 purpose of providing ballistic and trauma protection.

27 (u) The sentence for a violation of K.S.A. 21-6107, and amendments 28 thereto, or any attempt or conspiracy, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5301 and 29 21-5302, and amendments thereto, to commit such offense, when such 30 person being sentenced has a prior conviction for a violation of K.S.A. 21-31 4018, prior to its repeal, or K.S.A. 21-6107, and amendments thereto, or 32 any attempt or conspiracy to commit such offense, shall be presumptive 33 imprisonment. Such sentence shall not be considered a departure and shall 34 not be subject to appeal.

(v) The sentence for a third or subsequent violation of K.S.A. 8-1568,
and amendments thereto, shall be presumptive imprisonment and shall be
served consecutively to any other term or terms of imprisonment imposed.
Such sentence shall not be considered a departure and shall not be subject
to appeal.

40 (w) The sentence for aggravated criminal damage to property as 41 defined in K.S.A. 21-5813(b), and amendments thereto, when such person 42 being sentenced has a prior conviction for any nonperson felony shall be 43 presumptive imprisonment. Such sentence shall not be considered a 1 departure and shall not be subject to appeal.

2 (x) The sentence for a violation of K.S.A. 21-5807(a)(1), and 3 amendments thereto, shall be presumptive imprisonment if the offense 4 under such paragraph is classified in grid blocks 7-C, 7-D or 7-E. Such 5 sentence shall not be considered a departure and shall not be subject to 6 appeal.

7 (y) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (3), if the trier of fact makes a 8 finding beyond a reasonable doubt that an offender committed a nondrug 9 felony offense, or any attempt or conspiracy, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5301 10 and 21-5302, and amendments thereto, to commit a nondrug felony offense, against a law enforcement officer, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5111(p) 11 12 (1) and (3), and amendments thereto, while such officer was engaged in 13 the performance of such officer's duty, or in whole or in any part because 14 of such officer's status as a law enforcement officer, the sentence for such 15 offense shall be:

(A) If such offense is classified in severity level 2 through 10, one
 severity level above the appropriate level for such offense; and

(B) (i) if such offense is classified in severity level 1, except as
otherwise provided in clause (ii), imprisonment for life, and such offender
shall not be eligible for probation or suspension, modification or reduction
of sentence. In addition, such offender shall not be eligible for parole prior
to serving 25 years' imprisonment, and such 25 years' imprisonment shall
not be reduced by the application of good time credits. No other sentence
shall be permitted.

(ii) The provisions of clause (i) requiring the court to impose a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 25 years shall not apply if the court finds the offender, because of the offender's criminal history classification, is subject to presumptive imprisonment and the sentencing range exceeds 300 months. In such case, the offender is required to serve a mandatory minimum term equal to the sentence established pursuant to the sentencing range.

32 (2) The sentence imposed pursuant to paragraph (1) shall not be 33 considered a departure and shall not be subject to appeal.

(3) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to an offense
described in paragraph (1) if the factual aspect concerning a law
enforcement officer is a statutory element of such offense.

(z) (1) Notwithstanding K.S.A. 21-5109(b)(2), and amendments thereto, or any other provision of law to the contrary, the sentence for a violation of criminal possession of a weapon by a convicted felon as defined in K.S.A. 21-6304, and amendments thereto, shall be presumptive imprisonment and shall be served consecutively to any other term or terms of imprisonment imposed if the trier of fact makes a finding beyond a reasonable doubt that: 1 (A) The weapon the offender possessed during such violation was a 2 firearm; and

3 (B) such firearm was used by the offender during the commission of 4 any violent felony.

5 (2) The sentence imposed pursuant to paragraph (1) shall not be 6 considered a departure and shall not be subject to appeal. No other 7 sentence shall be permitted.

8 (3) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to an offender
9 who is prohibited from possessing a weapon pursuant to K.S.A. 21-6304,
10 and amendments thereto, as a result of a juvenile adjudication.

11 (4) As used in this subsection, "violent felony" means any of the 12 following:

(A) Capital murder, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5401, and amendments
 thereto;

15 (B) murder in the first degree, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5402, and 16 amendments thereto;

17 (C) murder in the second degree, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5403, and 18 amendments thereto;

19 (D) voluntary manslaughter, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5404, and 20 amendments thereto;

(E) kidnapping, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5408(a)(1), and amendments
thereto, or aggravated kidnapping, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5408(b), and
amendments thereto;

(F) aggravated assault, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5412(b)(1), and
amendments thereto, and aggravated assault of a law enforcement officer,
as defined in K.S.A. 21-5412(d)(1), and amendments thereto;

(G) aggravated battery, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5413(b)(1)(A) or (b)
(1)(B), and amendments thereto, and aggravated battery against a law
enforcement officer, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5413(d)(1) or (d)(2), and
amendments thereto;

(H) mistreatment of a dependent adult or mistreatment of an elder
person, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5417(a)(1), and amendments thereto;

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(I) rape, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5503, and amendments thereto;

(J) aggravated criminal sodomy, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5504(b), and
 amendments thereto;

36 (K) abuse of a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5602(a)(1) or (a)(3), and
37 amendments thereto;

(L) any felony offense described in K.S.A. 21-5703 or 21-5705, and
 amendments thereto;

40 (M) treason, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5901, and amendments thereto;

(N) criminal discharge of a firearm, as defined in K.S.A. 21-6308(a)
(1), and amendments thereto;

43 (O) fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, as defined in

1 K.S.A. 8-1568(b), and amendments thereto;

2 (P) any felony that includes the domestic violence designation 3 pursuant to K.S.A. 22-4616, and amendments thereto; or

4 (Q) any attempt, conspiracy or criminal solicitation, as defined in 5 K.S.A. 21-5301, 21-5302 and 21-5303, and amendments thereto, of any 6 felony offense defined in this subsection.

7 (aa) (1) The sentence for a violation of K.S.A. 21-6308(a)(1)(A) or
8 (a)(1)(B), and amendments thereto, if the trier of fact makes a finding
9 beyond a reasonable doubt that the offender discharged a firearm and that
10 the offender knew or reasonably should have known that:

11 (A) A person was present in the dwelling, building, structure or motor 12 vehicle at which the offender discharged a firearm, shall be presumptive 13 imprisonment and, in addition to the sentence imposed pursuant to the 14 Kansas sentencing guidelines act, the offender shall be sentenced to an 15 additional 60 months of imprisonment; and or

16 (B) a person less than 14 years of age was present in the dwelling, 17 building, structure or motor vehicle at which the offender discharged a 18 firearm, shall be presumptive imprisonment and, in addition to the 19 sentence imposed pursuant to the Kansas sentencing guidelines act, the 20 offender shall be sentenced to an additional 120 months of imprisonment.

(2) The sentence imposed pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be served
 consecutively to any other term or terms of imprisonment imposed. Such
 sentence shall not be considered a departure and shall not be subject to
 appeal.

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Sec. 2. K.S.A. 21-6804 is hereby repealed.

26 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 27 publication in the statute book.