

**HOUSE BILL No. 2025**

By Committee on Health and Human Services

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1 AN ACT ~~creating the joint committee on~~ **establishing the Robert G.**  
2 **(Bob) Bethell joint committee on home and community based**  
3 **services and KanCare oversight;** amending K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 39-  
4 7,160 and 39-7,162 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing  
5 K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 39-7,161 and 46-3501.  
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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 Section 1. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 39-7,160 is hereby amended to read as  
9 follows: 39-7,160.(a) There is hereby established the **Robert G. (Bob)**  
10 **Bethell** joint committee on home and community based services *and*  
11 *KanCare* oversight. The joint committee shall review the number of  
12 individuals who are transferred from state or private institutions and long-  
13 term care facilities to the home and community based services and the  
14 associated cost savings and other outcomes of the money-follows-the-  
15 person program. The joint committee shall review the funding targets  
16 recommended by the interim report submitted for the 2007 legislature by  
17 the joint committee on legislative budget and use them as guidelines for  
18 ~~the~~ future funding planning and policy making. The joint committee shall  
19 have oversight of savings resulting from the transfer of individuals from  
20 state or private institutions to home and community based services. As  
21 used in K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 39-7,159 through 39-7,162, and amendments  
22 thereto, "savings" means the difference between the average cost of  
23 providing services for individuals in an institutional setting and the cost of  
24 providing services in a home and community based setting. The joint  
25 committee shall study and determine the effectiveness of the program and  
26 cost-analysis of the state institutions or long-term care facilities based on  
27 the success of the transfer of individuals to home and community based  
28 services. The joint committee shall consider the issues of whether  
29 sufficient funding is provided for enhancement of wages and benefits of  
30 direct individual care workers and their staff training and whether adequate  
31 progress is being made to transfer individuals from the institutions and to  
32 move them from the waiver waiting lists to receive home and community  
33 based services. The joint committee shall review and ensure that any  
34 proceeds resulting from the successful transfer be applied to the system of

1 provision of services for long-term care and home and community based  
2 services. *The joint committee shall monitor and study the implementation*  
3 *and operations of the home and community based service programs, the*  
4 *children's health insurance program, the program for the all-inclusive*  
5 *care of the elderly and the state medicaid programs including, but not*  
6 *limited to, access to and quality of services provided and any financial*  
7 *information and budgetary issues. Any state agency shall provide data and*  
8 *information on KanCare programs, including, but not limited to, pay for*  
9 *performance measures, quality measures and enrollment and*  
10 *disenrollment in specific plans, **KanCare provider network data and***  
11 ***appeals and grievances made to the KanCare ombudsman, to the joint***  
12 *committee, as requested.*

13 (b) The joint committee shall consist of ~~nine~~ *11* members of the  
14 legislature appointed as follows: (1) ~~One member~~ *Two members* of the  
15 house ~~of representatives~~ **committee on health and human services**  
16 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; (2) one member  
17 of the house ~~of representatives~~ **committee on health and human services**  
18 appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives; (3) ~~one~~  
19 ~~member~~ *two members* of the senate **committee on public health and**  
20 **welfare** appointed by the president of the senate; (4) one member of the  
21 senate **committee on public health and welfare** appointed by the  
22 minority leader of the senate; (5) one member of the house ~~of~~  
23 ~~representatives~~ *committee on appropriations* appointed by the chairperson  
24 of the house committee on appropriations; (6) one member of the senate  
25 *committee on ways and means* appointed by the chairperson of the senate  
26 committee on ways and means; (7) one member of the house ~~of~~  
27 ~~representatives~~ *committee on appropriations* appointed by the ranking  
28 minority member of the house committee on appropriations; (8) one  
29 member of the senate *committee on ways and means* appointed by the  
30 ranking minority member of the senate committee on ways and means; and  
31 (9) one member of the house of representatives appointed by the majority  
32 leader of the house of representatives.

33 (c) Members shall be appointed for terms coinciding with the  
34 legislative terms for which such members are elected or appointed. All  
35 members appointed to fill vacancies in the membership of the joint  
36 committee and all members appointed to succeed members appointed to  
37 membership on the joint committee shall be appointed in the manner  
38 provided for the original appointment of the member succeeded. ~~The first~~  
39 ~~meeting of the joint committee shall be held before August 1, 2008.~~

40 (d) The members originally appointed as members of the joint  
41 committee shall meet upon the call of the member appointed by the  
42 speaker of the house of representatives, who shall be the first chairperson,  
43 within 30 days of the effective date of this act. The vice-chairperson of the

1 joint committee shall be appointed by the president of the senate.  
2 Chairperson and vice-chairperson shall alternate annually between the  
3 members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and the  
4 president of the senate. The ranking minority member shall be from the  
5 same chamber as the chairperson. ~~The joint committee shall meet at least~~  
6 ~~four times each year at the call of the chairperson of the joint committee.~~  
7 **On and after the effective date of this act, the joint committee shall**  
8 **meet at least three times when the legislature is in regular session and**  
9 **at least once during each of the second, third and fourth calendar**  
10 **quarters, on the call of the chairperson.** ~~Five~~ *Six* members of the joint  
11 committee shall constitute a quorum.

12 (e) (1) At the beginning of each regular session of the legislature, the  
13 committee shall submit to the president of the senate ~~and, the speaker of~~  
14 ~~the house of representatives,~~ **the house committee on health and human**  
15 **services and the senate committee on public health and welfare** a  
16 written report on numbers of individuals transferred from the state or  
17 private institutions to the home and community based services including  
18 the average daily census in the state institutions and long-term care  
19 facilities, savings resulting from the transfer certified by ~~the secretary of~~  
20 ~~social and rehabilitation services and the secretary of aging for aging and~~  
21 ~~disability services~~ in a quarterly report filed in accordance with K.S.A.  
22 2012 Supp. ~~39-7,161 and 39-7,162,~~ and amendments thereto, and the  
23 current balance in the home and community based services savings fund of  
24 ~~the department of social and rehabilitation services and the department on~~  
25 ~~aging.~~ **Kansas department for aging and disability services.**

26 (2) *Such report submitted under this subsection shall also include,*  
27 *but not be limited to, the following information on the KanCare program:*

28 (A) *Quality of care and health outcomes of individuals receiving state*  
29 *medicaid services under the KanCare program, as compared to the*  
30 *provision of state medicaid services prior to January 1, 2013;*

31 (B) *integration and coordination of health care procedures for*  
32 *individuals receiving state medicaid services under the KanCare program;*

33 (C) *availability of information to the public about the provision of*  
34 *state medicaid services under the KanCare program, including, but not*  
35 *limited to, accessibility to health services, expenditures for health services,*  
36 *extent of consumer satisfaction with health services provided and*  
37 *grievance procedures, including quantitative case data and summaries*  
38 **of case resolution by the KanCare ombudsman;**

39 (D) *provisions for community outreach and efforts to promote the*  
40 *public understanding of the KanCare program;*

41 (E) *comparison of the actual medicaid costs expended in providing*  
42 *state medicaid services under the KanCare program after January 1,*  
43 *2013, to the actual costs expended under the provision of state medicaid*

1 *services prior to January 1, 2013, including the manner in which such cost*  
 2 *expenditures are calculated;*~~and~~

3 (F) *comparison of the estimated costs expended in a managed care*  
 4 *system of providing state medicaid services under the KanCare program*  
 5 *after January 1, 2013, to the actual costs expended under the KanCare*  
 6 *program of providing state medicaid services after January 1, 2013;*

7 **(G) comparison of caseload information for individuals receiving**  
 8 **state medicaid services prior to January 1, 2013, to the caseload**  
 9 **information for individuals receiving state medicaid services under the**  
 10 **KanCare program after January 1, 2013; and**

11 **(H) all written testimony provided to the joint committee**  
 12 **regarding the impact of the provision of state medicaid services under**  
 13 **the KanCare program upon residents of adult care homes.**

14 (3) *The joint committee shall consider the external quality review*  
 15 *reports and quality assessment and performance improvement program*  
 16 *plans of each managed care organization providing state medicaid*  
 17 *services under the KanCare program in the development of the report*  
 18 *submitted under this subsection.*

19 **(4) The report submitted under this subsection shall be published**  
 20 **on the official website of the legislative research department.**

21 **(f) Members of the committee shall have access to any medical**  
 22 **assistance report and caseload data generated by the Kansas**  
 23 **department of health and environment division of health care finance.**  
 24 **Members of the committee shall have access to any report submitted**  
 25 **by the Kansas department of health and environment division of**  
 26 **health care finance to the centers of medicare and medicaid services of**  
 27 **the United States department of health and human services.**

28 **(g)** **Members of the committee shall be paid compensation, travel**  
 29 **expenses and subsistence expenses or allowance as provided in K.S.A. 75-**  
 30 **3212, and amendments thereto, for attendance at any meeting of the joint**  
 31 **committee or any subcommittee meeting authorized by the committee.**

32 ~~(g)~~ **(h)** *In accordance with K.S.A. 46-1204, and amendments thereto,*  
 33 *the legislative coordinating council may provide for such professional*  
 34 *services as may be requested by the joint committee.*

35 ~~(h)~~ **(i)** *The joint committee may* **make recommendations and**  
 36 *introduce—such* **legislation as it deems necessary in performing its**  
 37 **functions.**

38 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 39-7,162 is hereby amended to read as  
 39 follows: 39-7,162. (a) (1) There is hereby established the home and  
 40 community based services savings fund in the state treasury which shall be  
 41 administered by the secretary ~~of aging~~ **for aging and disability services.**  
 42 All savings resulting from transferring individuals from the institutions to  
 43 home and community based services shall be deposited in this fund. All

1 expenditures from the home and community based services savings fund  
2 shall be in accordance with the provisions of appropriation acts upon  
3 vouchers approved by the secretary ~~of aging~~ **for aging and disability**  
4 **services** or the secretary's designee.

5 (2) Whenever an individual, who is residing in an institution,  
6 transfers to home and community based services, the secretary ~~of aging~~ **for**  
7 **aging and disability services** shall determine the savings attributable to  
8 such transfer and shall certify the amount or amounts of such savings to  
9 the director of accounts and reports. Upon receipt of each such  
10 certification, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer the amount  
11 or amounts specified in such certification from the funds and accounts  
12 specified to the home and community based services savings fund of the  
13 ~~department on aging~~ **Kansas department for aging and disability**  
14 **services** in accordance with such certification. The secretary ~~of aging~~ **for**  
15 **aging and disability services** shall transmit a copy of each such  
16 certification to the director of the budget and to the director of legislative  
17 research.

18 (b) The secretary shall certify to the **Robert G. (Bob) Bethell** joint  
19 committee on home and community based services *and KanCare* oversight  
20 at the beginning of each calendar quarter the amount of savings resulting  
21 from transferring individuals from institutions to home and community  
22 based services that have been transferred during the preceding calendar  
23 quarter to the home and community based services savings fund from each  
24 institution during the preceding quarter.

25 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 39-7,160, 39-7,161, 39-7,162 and 46-3501  
26 are hereby repealed.

27 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
28 publication in the ~~Kansas register~~ **{statute book}**.