

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT and MR. SPEAKER: Your committee on conference on Senate amendments to **HB 2458** submits the following report:

The House accedes to all Senate amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed with Senate Committee amendments, as follows:

On page 12, following line 22, by inserting:

"Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-5706 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21-5706. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to possess any opiates, opium or narcotic drugs, or any stimulant designated in K.S.A. 65-4107(d)(1), (d)(3) or (f)(1), and amendments thereto, or a controlled substance analog thereof.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to possess any of the following controlled substances or controlled substance analogs thereof:

(1) Any depressant designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(e), K.S.A. 65-4107(e), K.S.A. 65-4109(b) or (c) or K.S.A. 65-4111(b), and amendments thereto;

(2) any stimulant designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(f), K.S.A. 65-4107(d)(2), (d)(4), (d)(5) or (f)(2) or K.S.A. 65-4109(e), and amendments thereto;

(3) any hallucinogenic drug designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(d), K.S.A. 65-4107(g) or K.S.A. 65-4109(g), and amendments thereto;

(4) any substance designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(g) and K.S.A. 65-4111(c), (d), (e), (f) or (g), and amendments thereto;

(5) any anabolic steroids as defined in K.S.A. 65-4109(f), and amendments thereto;

(6) any substance designated in K.S.A. 65-4113, and amendments thereto; or

(7) any substance designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(h), and amendments thereto.

(c) (1) Violation of subsection (a) is a drug severity level 5 felony.

(2) Except as provided in subsection (c)(3):

(A) Violation of subsection (b) is a class A nonperson misdemeanor, except as provided in subsection (c)(2)(B); and

(B) violation of subsection (b)(1) through (b)(5) or (b)(7) is a drug severity level 5 felony if that person has a prior conviction under such subsection, under K.S.A. 65-4162, prior to its repeal, under a substantially similar offense from another jurisdiction, or under any city ordinance or county resolution for a substantially similar offense if the substance involved was 3, 4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), marijuana as designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(d), and amendments thereto, or any substance designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(h), and amendments thereto, or an analog thereof.

(3) If the substance involved is marijuana, as designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(d), and amendments thereto, or tetrahydrocannabinols, as designated in K.S.A. 65-4105(h), and amendments thereto, violation of subsection (b) is a:

(A) Class B nonperson misdemeanor, except as provided in (c)(3)(B) and (c)(3)(C);

(B) class A nonperson misdemeanor if that person has a prior conviction under such subsection, under K.S.A. 65-4162, prior to its repeal, under a substantially similar offense from another jurisdiction, or under any city ordinance or county resolution for a substantially similar offense; and

(C) drug severity level 5 felony if that person has two or more prior convictions under such subsection, under K.S.A. 65-4162, prior to its repeal, under a substantially similar offense

from another jurisdiction, or under any city ordinance or county resolution for a substantially similar offense.

(d) It shall not be a defense to charges arising under this section that the defendant was acting in an agency relationship on behalf of any other party in a transaction involving a controlled substance or controlled substance analog.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-5911 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21-5911. (a) Escape from custody is escaping while held in custody on a:

(1) Charge, conviction of or arrest for a misdemeanor;

(2) charge, adjudication or arrest as a juvenile offender where the act, if committed by an adult, would constitute a misdemeanor; or

(3) commitment to the state security hospital as provided in K.S.A. 22-3428, and amendments thereto, based on a finding that the person committed an act constituting a misdemeanor or by a person 18 years of age or over who is being held in custody on an adjudication of a misdemeanor.

(b) Aggravated escape from custody is:

(1) Escaping while held in custody:

(A) Upon a charge, conviction of or arrest for a felony;

(B) upon a charge, adjudication or arrest as a juvenile offender where the act, if committed by an adult, would constitute a felony;

(C) prior to or upon a finding of probable cause for evaluation as a sexually violent predator as provided in K.S.A. 59-29a05, and amendments thereto;

(D) upon commitment to a treatment facility as a sexually violent predator as provided

in K.S.A. 59-29a01 et seq., and amendments thereto;

(E) upon a commitment to the state security hospital as provided in K.S.A. 22-3428, and amendments thereto, based on a finding that the person committed an act constituting a felony;

(F) by a person 18 years of age or over who is being held on an adjudication of a felony; or

(G) upon incarceration at a state correctional institution while in the custody of the secretary of corrections.

(2) Escaping effected or facilitated by the use of violence or the threat of violence against any person while held in custody:

(A) On a charge or conviction of any crime;

(B) on a charge or adjudication as a juvenile offender where the act, if committed by an adult, would constitute a felony;

(C) prior to or upon a finding of probable cause for evaluation as a sexually violent predator as provided in K.S.A. 59-29a05, and amendments thereto;

(D) upon commitment to a treatment facility as a sexually violent predator as provided in K.S.A. 59-29a01 et seq., and amendments thereto;

(E) upon a commitment to the state security hospital as provided in K.S.A. 22-3428, and amendments thereto, based on a finding that the person committed an act constituting any crime;

(F) by a person 18 years of age or over who is being held on a charge or adjudication of a misdemeanor or felony; or

(G) upon incarceration at a state correctional institution while in the custody of the secretary of corrections.

(c) (1) Escape from custody is a class A nonperson misdemeanor.

(2) Aggravated escape from custody as defined in:

(A) Subsection (b)(1)(A), (b)(1)(C), (b)(1)(D), (b)(1)(E) or (b)(1)(F) is a severity level 8, nonperson felony;

(B) subsection (b)(1)(B) or (b)(1)(G) is a severity level 5, nonperson felony;

(C) subsection (b)(2)(A), (b)(2)(C), (b)(2)(D), (b)(2)(E) or (b)(2)(F) is a severity level 6, person felony; and

(D) subsection (b)(2)(B) or (b)(2)(G) is a severity level 5, person felony.

(d) As used in this section and K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-5912, and amendments thereto:

(1) "Custody" means arrest; detention in a facility for holding persons charged with or convicted of crimes or charged or adjudicated as a juvenile offender; detention for extradition or deportation; detention in a hospital or other facility pursuant to court order, imposed as a specific condition of probation or parole or imposed as a specific condition of assignment to a community correctional services program; commitment to the state security hospital as provided in K.S.A. 22-3428, and amendments thereto; or any other detention for law enforcement purposes. "Custody" does not include general supervision of a person on probation or parole or constraint incidental to release on bail;

(2) "escape" means ~~departure from custody without lawful authority or failure to return to custody following temporary leave lawfully granted pursuant to express authorization of law or order of a court;~~

(A) Departure from custody without lawful authority; or

(B) failure to return to custody following temporary leave lawfully granted by:

(i) Express authorization of law;

(ii) order of a court; or

(iii) a custodial official authorized to grant such leave;

(3) "juvenile offender" means the same as in K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 38-2302, and amendments thereto; and

(4) "state correctional institution" means the same as in K.S.A. 75-5202, and amendments thereto.

(e) As used in this section, the term "charge" shall not require that the offender was held on a written charge contained in a complaint, information or indictment, if such offender was arrested prior to such offender's escape from custody.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-6824 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21-6824. (a) There is hereby established a nonprison sanction of certified drug abuse treatment programs for certain offenders who are sentenced on or after November 1, 2003. Placement of offenders in certified drug abuse treatment programs by the court shall be limited to placement of adult offenders, convicted of a felony violation of ~~K.S.A. 65-4160 or 65-4162, prior to their repeal, K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 21-36a06, prior to its transfer, or~~ K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-5706, and amendments thereto, whose offense is classified in grid blocks:

(1) ~~Whose offense is classified in grid blocks~~ 5-C, 5-D, 5-E, 5-F, 5-G, 5-H or 5-I of the sentencing guidelines grid for drug crimes and such offender has no felony conviction of K.S.A. 65-4142, 65-4159, 65-4161, 65-4163 or 65-4164, prior to their repeal, K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 21-

36a03, 21-36a05 or 21-36a16, prior to their transfer, or K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-5703, 21-5705 or 21-5716, and amendments thereto, or any substantially similar offense from another jurisdiction;
or

(2) ~~whose offense is classified in grid blocks 5-A, or 5-B, 4-E, 4-F, 4-G, 4-H or 4-I~~ of the sentencing guidelines grid for drug crimes, such offender has no felony conviction of K.S.A. 65-4142, 65-4159, 65-4161, 65-4163 or 65-4164, prior to their repeal, K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 21-36a03, 21-36a05 or 21-36a16, prior to their transfer, or K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-5703, 21-5705 or 21-5716, and amendments thereto, or any substantially similar offense from another jurisdiction, if the person felonies in the offender's criminal history were severity level 8, 9 or 10 or nongrid offenses of the sentencing guidelines grid for nondrug crimes, and the court finds and sets forth with particularity the reasons for finding that the safety of the members of the public will not be jeopardized by such placement in a drug abuse treatment program.

(b) As a part of the presentence investigation pursuant to K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-6813, and amendments thereto, offenders who meet the requirements of subsection (a), unless otherwise specifically ordered by the court, shall be subject to:

(1) A drug abuse assessment which shall include a clinical interview with a mental health professional and a recommendation concerning drug abuse treatment for the offender; and

(2) a criminal risk-need assessment. The criminal risk-need assessment shall assign a high or low risk status to the offender.

(c) If the offender is assigned a high risk status as determined by the drug abuse assessment performed pursuant to subsection (b)(1) and a moderate or high risk status as determined by the criminal risk-need assessment performed pursuant to subsection (b)(2), the

sentencing court shall commit the offender to treatment in a drug abuse treatment program until the court determines the offender is suitable for discharge by the court. The term of treatment shall not exceed 18 months. The court may extend the term of probation, pursuant to ~~subsection (e)(3)~~ of K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-6608(c)(3), and amendments thereto. The term of treatment may not exceed the term of probation.

(d) (1) Offenders who are committed to a drug abuse treatment program pursuant to subsection (c) shall be supervised by community correctional services.

(2) Offenders who are not committed to a drug abuse treatment program pursuant to subsection (c) shall be supervised by community correctional services or court services based on the result of the criminal risk assessment.

(e) Placement of offenders under subsection (a)(2) shall be subject to the departure sentencing statutes of the revised Kansas sentencing guidelines act.

(f) (1) Offenders in drug abuse treatment programs shall be discharged from such program if the offender:

(A) Is convicted of a new felony; or

(B) has a pattern of intentional conduct that demonstrates the offender's refusal to comply with or participate in the treatment program, as established by judicial finding.

(2) Offenders who are discharged from such program shall be subject to the revocation provisions of ~~subsection (n)~~ of K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-6604(n), and amendments thereto.

(g) As used in this section, "mental health professional" includes licensed social workers, persons licensed to practice medicine and surgery, licensed psychologists, licensed professional counselors or registered alcohol and other drug abuse counselors licensed or

certified as addiction counselors who have been certified by the secretary of corrections to treat offenders pursuant to K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 75-52,144, and amendments thereto.

(h) (1) Offenders who meet the requirements of subsection (a) shall not be subject to the provisions of this section and shall be sentenced as otherwise provided by law, if such offenders:

(A) Are residents of another state and are returning to such state pursuant to the interstate corrections compact or the interstate compact for adult offender supervision; or

(B) are not lawfully present in the United States and being detained for deportation; or

(C) do not meet the risk assessment levels provided in subsection (c).

(2) Such sentence shall not be considered a departure and shall not be subject to appeal.

(i) The court may order an offender who otherwise does not meet the requirements of subsection (c) to undergo one additional drug abuse assessment while such offender is on probation. Such offender may be ordered to undergo drug abuse treatment pursuant to subsection (a) if such offender is determined to meet the requirements of subsection (c). The cost of such assessment shall be paid by such offender.";

Also on page 12, in line 23, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; also in line 23, after "21-5417" by inserting ", 21-5417, as amended by section 3 of 2018 Senate Bill No. 217, 21-5706, 21-5911 and 21-6824";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 5, after the semicolon by inserting "controlled substances; possession; escape and aggravated escape from custody; definition of escape; certified drug abuse treatment programs;"; also in line 5, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; in line 6,

after "21-5417" by inserting ", 21-5706, 21-5911 and 21-6824"; also in line 6, after "sections" by inserting "; also repealing K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 21-5417, as amended by section 3 of 2018 Senate Bill No. 217";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

Conferees on part of Senate

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