

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. SPEAKER and MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee on conference on Senate amendments to **HB 2144** 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 as Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 2144 with Senate Committee of the Whole amendments, as follows:

On page 1, following line 12, by inserting:

"New Section 1. (a) Encouraging suicide is knowingly encouraging another person to commit or attempt to commit suicide when the person knows that such other person has communicated a desire to commit suicide and such encouragement:

(1) Is made proximate in time to the other person committing or attempting to commit suicide; and

(2) substantially influences the other person's decision or methods used to commit or attempt to commit suicide.

(b) Encouraging suicide is a:

(1) Severity level 5, person felony if the other person attempts to commit suicide; and

(2) severity level 4, person felony if the other person commits suicide.

(c) As used in this section:

(1) "Attempt to commit suicide" means any physical action done by a person with the intent to commit suicide; and

(2) "encouraging a person to commit or attempt to commit suicide" means oral, written or visual communication that is persuasive or intended to be persuasive and that gives advice to commit suicide, attempt to commit suicide or develop a plan to commit suicide.

(d) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the Kansas criminal code.";

Also on page 1, in line 16, by striking all after "(1)"; by striking all in lines 17 and 18; in line 19, by striking "(2)"; also in line 19, after "to" by inserting ":

(A)";

Also on page 1, in line 21, by striking "\$3,000" and inserting "\$5,000"; in line 22, after the semicolon by inserting "or"; in line 23, by striking all before take and inserting "(B)"; in line 24, by striking "\$3,000" and inserting "\$5,000"; in line 27, by striking "(4)" and inserting "(2)"; in line 29, by striking "paragraphs" and inserting "paragraph"; also in line 29, by striking "through (3)"; in line 32, by striking "\$3,000" and inserting "\$5,000"; also in line 32, by striking "\$15,000" and inserting "\$25,000"; also in line 32, by striking "5" and inserting "6"; by striking all in line 33; in line 35, by striking all before "is" and inserting "at least \$25,000 but less than \$100,000"; also in line 35, by striking "4" and inserting "5"; also in line 35, after "felony" by inserting ";

(3) involving merchandise with an aggregate retail market value of \$100,000 or more is a severity level 4, nonperson felony";

On page 2, by striking all in lines 17 through 43;

On page 3, by striking all in lines 1 through 41;

On page 6, in line 2, by striking "1" and inserting "2";

On page 9, in line 22, by striking "1" and inserting "2"; in line 26, by striking "and"; in line 34, by striking "21-5801 and";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 2, by striking the first "crime" and inserting "crimes"; also in

line 2, after "of" by inserting "encouraging suicide and"; in line 3, by striking all after the first semicolon; in line 4, by striking all before "relating"; in line 9, by striking "21-5801 and";

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

Conferees on part of Senate

Conferees on part of House