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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIA	RY .
The meeting was called to order byRepresentative Bob	Frey at Chairperson
3:30 NAM./p.m. onMarch 1	, 19 in room of the Capitol.
All members were present except: Representatives Justice and Peterson were excused.	

Approved March 14, 1983

Committee staff present:

Mark Burghart, Legislative Research Department Mike Heim, Legislative Research Department Mary Ann Torrence, Revisor or Statutes Office Nedra Spingler, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Representative Leary Johnson
Randall Weller, Attorney, Hill City
Phyllis Madden, Dodge City
Ethel May Miller, Kansas Association for Retarded Citizens
Catherine Wahlmeier, Member of a Group for Retarded Citizens, Hays
Gerald Hannah, Ph.D., Commissioner, Division of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, SRS
Bryan Krantz, American Civil Liberties Union
Bill Edds, Department of Revenue
John Wine, Office of the Secretary of State

The minutes of the meeting of February 24, 1983, were approved.

HB 2318 - An act concerning sterilization of certain persons.

A hearing was held on the bill. Representative Leary Johnson, sponsor, gave a statement (Attachment No.1) explaining and supporting the bill.

Randall Weller, attorney, Hill City, gave the history of the case that prompted introduction of the bill (Attachment No.2).

There was discussion regarding whether the intent of the bill was to apply only to pregnancies that would result in death. Potential abuse by doctors and judges in making the decision was mentioned. Mr. Weller believed safeguards were in the bill to protect against this and prohibit mass sterilization. He had no objection to amendments to make provisions for testing very strict or in limiting cases to district court judges rather than magistrate judges.

Phyllis Madden, Dodge City, mother of a retarded daughter, supported the bill, stating she did not want anything in the bill that would cause mass sterilization or cause persons to be sterilized against their wills, but help was needed for cases such as her daughter's which she described. She noted, if her duaghter was not retarded, she would have no problem, because of her physical condition, in being sterilized. Ms. Madden did not believe it was possible to teach some retarded people the use of contraceptives nor do these always work. She believed her daughter's rights were being violated.

Ethel May Miller, KARC, gave the position of that organization and of herself as the mother or a retarded daughter in her statement (Attachment No.3). She noted SB 11, introduced as the result of a Judicial Council study on guardianship laws, and believed the issue addressed by HB 2318 was included in SB 11. She urged no action on the House bill until the Senate bill can be considered.

Catherine Wahlmeier, member of a group for retarded children in Hays, distributed a statement from Helen DeWitt, R.N., Hays, in opposition to HB 2318 (Attachment No.4) and gave her own statement opposing the bill (Attachment No.5). Copies of the Hutchinson News of March 28, 1980, telling of mass sterilization by the state of "undesirables" (Attachment No.6) were distributed.

Dr. Gerald Hannah, Commissioner, Mental Health and Mental Retardation Division of SRS, said SRS opposed the bill as written. His objections and recommendations are contained in Attachment No.7. In additional remarks, Dr. Hannah said SB 11 should be considered before amend-

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ments are considered for HB 2318. He was not against sterilization in cases where a person's life was in danger but it was not the position of SRS that compulsory sterilization be done under certain circumstances.

Bryan Krantz, ACLU, agreed with statements of Dr. Hannah and also believed the court should be instructed to appoint a guardian ad litem. Someone should be at hearings to argue the other side. Because of different degrees of retardation, he questioned where a line could be drawn. He said additional safeguards should be added, and the method of sterilization should be stated.

HB 2475 - An act concerning articles of incorporation.

Bill Edds, Department of Revenue, said the bill was requested by IRS and requires liquidation of a corporation's assets to be accomplished in a manner pursuant to the work of the corporation. The constitutionality of line 34 was questioned. Mr. Edds said language of the bill is almost identical to Oklahoma and Arkansas laws and was suggested by IRS.

John Wine, Office of the Secretary of State, suggested a technical amendment on line 22 to insert "otherwise" before "qualifies".

HB 2163 - An act relating to traffic laws.

Representative Ediger reported for the subcommittee and reviewed conceptional amendments to the bill (Attachment No.8). The structure for and the inequity of the fines were discussed, it being noted that the Highway Patrol wants them to be uniform. Cities may want to charter out from this uniformity. The suggestion was made that amendments could be included in a bill dealing with bonding forfeiture which is in the Transportation Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

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ATTACHMENT # 1

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Subject: HB 2318

By: State Representative Leary J. Johnson

Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, we are assembled here today to discuss an issue that doesn't affect many. In fact it will probably affect very few. However, for the ones it does affect it represents a very serious problem which needs to be addressed and resolved.

There are currently 25 states which have previously spoken to this problem area and have provided legislative guidance to those in need.

I am sure all in attendance share a concern about the potential for abuse in this area. I believe we have incorporated sufficient safeguards in the bill to prevent this from happening. You will note that first the guardian has to make the decision to initiate the process. Then a competent physician must certify to the court that pregnancy would be harmful or fatal to the involved person's health. The court, after notice and hearing may then order such person sterilized based upon medical evidence.

As with any parent, we all are deeply concerned about the welfare of our children. We try, in the best way we can, to administer to all their needs. It is through this love and care for our children that we unselfishly and devotedly provide for their welfare and future. We have to keep in mind that

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these parental decisions are in the best interest of the ones we love, especially when their lives are at stake.

I personally had to make such a decision recently when my oldest son was inflicted with cancer. Initially there was a certain amount of disbelief and uncertainty associated with unwillingness to accept that this could be happening to a member of my family. The reality of the situation finally set in and it was abundantly clear that medical attention was required to save has life. Prompted by a deep conviction in God and an extreme confidence in the attending physician a decision was made, a decision which proved successful. This personal encounter relates to the fact that a life or death situation isn't debatable.

I believe that to fully understand the situation each of us must place ourselves in the position of parents of retarded children. We must understand the physical, emotional, and financial stress involved and realize that a decision of this nature only comes from a genuine love and care of the one most involved.

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, let me acquaint you with a question so bluntly put to me immediately after submitting this bill. I was asked that if I had a retarded child who kept sticking their hand in a bucket of hot water would I cut off their hand to prevent recurrance? My answer, fellow collegues, was a blunt "NO". The obvious answer is to simply remove the bucket.

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ATTACHMENT # 2

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March 1, 1983

House Judiciary Committee House of Representatives State of Kansas

Dear Chairman Frey:

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to testify before this committee. My clients, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Law, are the parents of a nineteen year old retarded female. She and her parents have been advised by medical personnel that in the event she would get pregnant it would mean death.

This young lady attends a work shop-school for handicapped individuals at a town some seventy miles from her home. On occasions she has to walk from building to building which is along streets and a chance of exposure to boys exists.

The parents came to me quite concerned for her as she is unable to take care of a child should she have one but most importantly is the medical advice of almost certain death.

Her parents requested that I look into obtaining sterilization for her. Her retardation is sufficiently severe that she would not comprehend what a sterilization is all about and would not know the consequences of it. It would simply be completely immaterial to her. She lacks sufficient capacity to intelligently make that decision on her own.

I searched the law books but found absolutely no procedure available for sterilization even when a guardian and conservator is appointed. Incidentally, her mother is her guardian and conservator.

I asked the Judge if she would approve a petition to allow the sterilization and if she would issue an order for a doctor to do the same and the Judge refused.

At that point, I contacted our hospital administrator and visited with him about the problem and he in turn contacted a law firm in Topeka who represents the Kansas Board of Hospitals. This law firm advised that no procedure is available.

At that time I contacted Leary Johnson to introduce legislation

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setting up some sort of structure to allow the sterilization.

Representative Johnson and I agreed that the procedure should be very strict and well supervised. That it should be written in such a manner so as not to allow sterilization on a mass basis. I included the following provisions in hopes of restricting it to the very few necessary cases:

- 1. That it be restricted to females since obviously pregnancy cannot affect the male.
- 2. That it be done only upon a doctor's diagnosis and recommendation that a pregnancy is harmful to the health of the female or might cause death.
- a. That the degree of retardation and/or handicap be on the sole discretion of the medical doctor.
- 3. That a guardian and conservator be appointed who must act in the best interests of the ward and conservatee.
- 4. That the surgery only be authorized after a court order is issued which of course would follow a court hearing.

I felt that these safe guards would be sufficient to keep sterilization from occurring on a mass basis.

It is my opinion that some form of procedure is necessary although I strongly urge it to be in terms to limit it very strictly to those few who absolutely need it for preservation of their health or life and I would urge this committe to support Mr. Johnson's bill which I think does show that.

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Sincerely yours,

JONES, WELLER & ELLIOTT

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To: Judiciary Committee

House of Representatives

Rep. Robert Frey, Chairperson

House Bill 2318 Re:

Introduction: We appreciate having the opportunity of appearing, representing the some 5,000 parents and friends of persons who happen to be mentally retarded, belonging to the some 50 local associations located thruout the state who make up the Kansas Association for Retarded Citizens. I am also speaking as the parent of a profoundly retarded daughter who is an adult in age, and for whom we have been determined legal quardian.

Our Association recognizes the importance of the issue addressed in H.B. 2318. We especially appreciate the statement we understand was given by Rep. Johnson who introduced the legislation: (Wichita Beacon, 2/9/83)

> "It's not the intent to force this decision on anybody. But it does need to be addressed. There are people who need this help."

However, because we are not far removed from the days of the many myths and misconceptions which surround mental retardation, and from the days of almost automatic sterilization of retarded persons, with little or no regard for human and legal rights, we believe the issue should be addressed within the broader aspects of guardianship with protection of judicial process rather than singling out this issue alone as does H.B. 2318. ("retarded", "sterilization", "females".)

As indicated in the 1979 document LEGAL RIGHTS, a "Kansas Guide To Developmental Disabilities Law"

"In the absence of an emergency, no medical procedures can be performed on a competent adult without his or her informed consent. But if an individual does not have the capacity to understand the risks involved in the treatment, physicians will most often turn to a third person, such as the guardian, for the necessary consent. Normally there is no question about the guardian's legal or moral right to consent to surgical procedures. But when the anticipated treatment is as personal and irreversible as sterilization, organ transplants, or mercy killing it is imperative that the courts make the final decision, assuring that the best interests of the ward

are protected."

3. Since Senate Bill ll, introduced in the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee, does address the issue on broader aspects of powers and limitations of Guardian-ships and Conservatorships relating to disabled (incapacited) persons, we support the wording that addresses the issue as recommended by the Judicial Council at the hearings on S.B. ll:

"A guardian shall not have the power"...."to consent on behalf of a ward, to sterilization, psychosurgery, removal of a bodily organ, or amputation of a limb, unless the procedure is first approved by order of the court or is necessary, in an emergency, to preserve the life or prevent serious impairment of the physical health of the ward."

S.B. 11 grew from the Interim Study by the Special Commitee on Public Health and Welfare regarding the broad aspects of Guardianship (Proposal No. 28) which took place this past summer and early fall. During the same period the Kansas Judicial Council appointed a Judicial Council Guardianship and Conservatorship Advisory Committee to "review and study the present guardianship-conservatorship code contained in Article 30 of Chapter 59 of Kansas statutes and recommend appropriate legislative changes for improvement of the code."

Representatives of our Association as well as those from the various disability groups have presented testimony and followed both the Interim Study and the hearings on S.B. ll. Recommendations have been presented by representatives of the Judicial Council, the Advisory Committee, plus representatives of the Kansas Advocacy and Protective Services for the Developmentally Disabled.

We have marveled at the patience and attention given to the various testimonies and recommendations by the members of the committee and sub-committee regarding S.B. 11, as well as the time and effort expended by the Special Committee on Public Health and Welfare which studied the broad issues during the interim.

4. We believe the issue addressed by H.B. 2318 is being included within S.B. 11 and would urge that this committee defer action on H.B. 2318, pending the consideration of S.B. 11.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel May Miller Tolunteer Kansas Association for

Kansas Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc.

Testimony presented to the Kansas House of Representatives, Judiciary Committee -- Rep. Robert Frey, Chairman

Re: H.B. 2318---3/1/83

By: Helen DeWitt, R.N.

ATTACHMENT # 4

Mr. Chairman and members of this committee, I am Helen DeWitt, a resident and taxpayer of Hays, in Ellis County, Kansas. I am also a registered nurse and a member of the Kansas Association of Retarded Citizens. I am here today to speak in opposition to H.B. 2318, a bill concerning sterilization of certain persons; conditions; court order; amending K.S.A.50-3018 and repealing the existing section.

Mr. Chairman, the first duty of the State is to protect the fundamental rights of its citizens regardless of their age, health, or condition of dependency. Every human being possesses a fundamental right to bodily integridy. This is a moral truth arising out of the Natural law itself. Fublic officials therefore have no direct power over the bodies of their subjects and, where no crime has taken place, they can never directly harm or tamper with the integridy of the body. It is for this reason, it is a grave injustice to subject an innocent person to serious bodily mutilation by sterilization for the sake of expediency or for the attaining of objectives which can be procured just as effectively in a humane, decent, and moral manner.

Opposition to H.B. 2318 must not be construed to mean one would advocate a policy of permitting those who are mentally defective to exercise sexual activity indiscriminately. Those who lack the requisite mental ability to contract marriage and to fulfill its obligations, should not be allowed opportunities which might furnish them with the occasion to employ their reproductive powers. But supervision, segregation, and protective custody are the remedies against such consequences, not a physical mutilation that degrades the dignity of human nature and places man in the same class as a diseased animal which is not to be allowed to propagate its kind.

H.B. 2318, and court ordered sterilization upon certain female citizens, for whatever so-called humane reason this act was introduced will most certainly lead to abuses of state power over those selected persons addressed, namely mentally defective women. This point requires very little amplification today. The ruthless invasion and destruction of all individual rights by the Nazi and Communist states remains fresh in our minds. If the state of Kansas is granted the power to do with the body of certain of its citizens whatever it belives to be in the interests of its collectivity, then we as individual persons will surely become defenseless pawns of the state. For when one class of citizens' rights are denied, there is no longer a basis for any inalienable rights, there is no longer any aspect of our nature which remains sacred and inviolable.

Mr. Chairman, sterilization by its very nature is a desperate act of despair when all else seems to fail. It must therefore not be imposed upon innocent persons simply on the basis of the opinion of a single physician. Surely modern medical technology can provide more hopeful solutions to difficult pregnancies than to violate the bodies of defenseless women and girls by sterilization, simply because they are judged by the state to be less than perfect.

H.B. 2318 in addition to being a serious violation of the basic human rights belonging to each person regardless of his condition in life, is discriminatory on the basis of sex, age, health, and condition of dependency. In the interest of all Kansans, in order to assure that the state protect the fundamental rights of us all, H.B. 2318 must be withdrawn from consideration by this committee. It is unworthy of your support as elected representatives of the people.

Thank you Mr. Chairman for allowing me the freedom to speak.

Helen DeWitt, R.N. Selen DeWitt, RN

TESTINONY--OPHOSING HOUSE BILL 2318--House Judiciary Committee by Catherine M. Wahlmeier March 1, 1983

Unairman Frey, members of the committee. I am the mother of 13 children, ten are living, and I do nave 11 stepchildren. My firstborn, a girl, was diagnosed as being a mongoloid—she lived to be $5\frac{1}{2}$. As a mother, registered nurse, non-practicing and an active member of the Right to Life of Kansas Inc. I wish to thank-you for allowing me to present testimony opposing H.B. 2318.

In this day and age, we see men and women seeking voluntary sterilization in unprecedented numbers. Thus, in opposing a bill that would allow sterilization 'because a doctor said it was necessary' is an unpopular stand. Not being aware of the particular case which has brought this bill to life, I must deal with sterilization in a broader spectrum.

Let me first say, so-called 'hard cases' make for very poor laws. As the most prominent example, those doctors testifying for the 'life of the mother' as a necessity for laws allowing abortion has given us ABORTION ON DEMAND in this State and in our Nation.

Serving as a board member of a small school for the retarded, I am aware of the many things these individuals can be taught as far as what is and is not socially acceptable. Is it not possible that we teach them as well what is and is not acceptable in their sexual behavior outside of marriage? Those who teach these retarded in Sunday religion classes, testify that they definitely DO know right from wrong and want to do what is right in God's eyes. Can we, who consider ourselves 'normal' do any less that help them to live their lives to the fullest?

A 1973-7% report on pending legislation across this nation offers the following, with reasons for sterilization following into three categories: coercive, permissive, or prohibitive. Georgia requiring the sterilization of mentally retarded or incompetent persons prior to marriage is a form of coercive (may I say that many people who are not considered retarded, are most incompetent in many ways—thus the definition of 'retarded' is a vital part of a law). Ohio would require the sterilization of any unmarried woman receiving state aid who has more than two children and Tennessee offered a bill that would stop welfare payments to any mother with two illegitimate children unless she submits to sterilization. Those states that offer bills providing for the sterilization of mentally retarded persons and are eugenic in their scope, imply that mentally retarded persons are incapable of parenthood, and they make no distinction regarding the degree of retardation. When the term mentally 'defective' is used, it is seen as prejudicial and is reminiscent of the labelling of persons that took place in Germany prior to the Third Reich.

Wording of bills that would be prohibitive sees Massachusetts which does prohibit the sterilization of welfare recipients, and a bill in Rhode Island which makes the sterilization of minors a criminal offense.

Despite the fact that some bills are described as voluntary, the purpose is to set up criteria under which some sterilizations will be accepted as legally justifiable. This is a distortion of the role of law, for it attempts to justify a procedure that is contrary to human dignity. it is immoral because it justifies the destructiom of a natural right, the right to procreate, for reason of personal convenience. But the right to procreate

cann. be reduced simply to private or personal decision-making, because it has a social pose and because society is obligated to assist persons in the fulfillment of that right.

Headlines in the Mutchinson News, March 28, 1980, state "Kansas Sterilized 3000 'under-irables'. It seems that sterilizations were performed under the 1917 Sterilization Act. In 1937, Time magazine carried a story which quoted the Superintendent of the Girls Industrial Reformatory in Beloit as saying "Now I hope we can buy some rugs for the school since we won't have to pay so much for sterilizations." And records at the Winfield State Mospital proved the many sterilizations done on both men and women. It was once praised in medical journal as 'possessing the greatest collection of eunuchs in the world for study purposes."

Another case making headlines throughout the nation is that of the 15 year old girl, who in 1971 was sterilized after her mother petitioned the court to perform a tubal light on her because she was somewhat retarded and sexually promiscuous. She was told she had be have her appendix removed and it wasn't until after she married that she learned the trub. The and her husband sued the court, along with the lawyers who prepared the petition and be doctors who performed the operation contending they conspired to violate her civil rights. The judge never saw her, never heard a witness, never conducted a hearing or performed any other act in the case that any layman with a sense of fair play would recognize as the workings of justice. Yet this judge was held immune from being sued for damages even for his 'lawless conduct'.

Constitutional lawyer, Charles E. Rice wrote a book 'The Vanishing Right to Live' and in the chapter on sterilization he offers the following; "The popularity of sterilization stems from the prevalent abdication of personal accountability for one's acts. Our generation, too, is unwilling to take responsibility for others, whether their neighbors or the unborn. As long as sterilization is compulsorily imposed upon 'defectives' or freely available for contraceptive purposes, it will feed the growth of irresponsibility. In other words, it is inconceivable that we can ever restore personal responsibility as long as we condone an act so symbolic of the shirking of obligation in an era saturated with self-indulgence. Sterilization also can readily be used as a tool of oppression. It must be curtailed, even when it is voluntary, or else we shall have to contend with an expansion of it as a compulsory weapon in the arsenal of the caretaker state."

I oppose this bill, based on the clearly constituted danger to human rights as well as to the possible immoral results which seem inherent in sterilization legislation.

Let their be help for the retarded which is deserving of public support and the expenditure of our tax dollars. Thank-you!

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Cansas sterilized 3,000 'undesirables'

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ospital's staff said 369 men

and 274 women were sterilized at Winfield between 1923 and 1950. In 1931 - the record year - operations were performed on 64 men and 39 women. The operations were authorized under the 1917 Sterilization Act.

Among the institutions involved was Kansas State Industrial Reformatory. Attempts Friday to locate records which would show the extent of sterilization operations at KSIR were unsuccessful.

Other institutions involved in the sterilizations included three State Hospitals for the Insane, the State Hospital for Epileptics (now Parsons State Hospital) and the Industrial School for Girls (now the Youth Center at Beloit).

A list prepared by the Richmond-Times Dispatch ranked Kansas fifth in the United States in the number of sterilizations perfomed before 1963.

Aimed at preventing "procreation likely to result in defective or feebleminded children with criminal tendencies," the law directed wardens and superintendents to recommend names of likely inmates to a sterilization board.

The law provided a choice between castration and vasectomy for males and between cutting Fallopian tubes and removing ovaries for women.

The Kansas Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the act in 1928, holding that a doctor at Topeka State Hospital was out of line in refusing to perform the operation.

"Procreation of defective and feeble-minded children with criminal tendencies" endangers the race, the high court said, "and such progeny

may be prevented in the interest of higher general welfare."

Under the statute, a sterilization board at each institution was required to hold hearings and keep records of all operations performed.

Horrified in 1937 at a suggestion by the new superintendent of the Girls' Industrial Reformatory that the previous administrator had been sterilizing girls capriciously, Kathryn O'Loughlin McCarthy, a Democratic U.S. Representative for Kansas from 1933-1935, called for an investigation that made national headlines.

Time magazine published a story explaining that an offhand remark from the Beliot superintendent set off the former congresswoman.

"Now I hope we can buy some new rugs for the school, since we won't have to pay so much for sterilizations." the magazine quoted Supt. Blanche Peterson as saying.

Mrs. Peterson said the former superintendent, an appointee of Republican Governor Alf Landon, had spent over \$4,000 during the preceding two years on sterilizations for 62 girls. Twenty-two more sterilizations were scheduled to be performed when the new administration took over.

Records revealed at that time that girls were being sterilized for arbitrary reasons and without the mandatory hearing.

"Bad temper," "incorrigibile," "obstreperous" and "partial to fights," were listed among reasons for ordering the operations.

"All us girls had been threatened before with sterilization unless we behaved ourselves. I knew it wouldn't do any good to kick, although I didn't want it done ... My mother heard...after it was over and protested I thought for a while that life had very little left for me but I have since changed and want to be a beauty operator ... ," Time quoted a Kansas City Star interview with an 18-year old who described her experience at the reformatory.

SRS attorney Hamm said the State Board of Social Welfare approved no sterilizations after 1951 although the law remained on the books until 1965.

Hamm defended the state in 1952 in a \$1 million suit brought on behalf of Paul Jacob Brown, a 35-year-old patient who had been sterilized at Osawatomie State Hospital.

His mother claimed she was not properly notified of the hearing. The Browns lost the suit and the appeal.

House Bill 2318, as proposed, does not have the support of MHERS. We agree with the intent of the bill, i.e. prevention of a fatal or harmful pregnancy. However, we believe the bill fails to provide sufficient safeguards for the mentally retarded ward.

The Supreme Court and many state courts have upheld the constitutionality of compulsory sterilization provided due process procedures are included as part of the law. House Bill 2318 states a sterilization order could be issued "after notice and hearing." This is viewed by MHERS as inadequate due process protection of the mentally retarded ward. An acceptable bill would require at a minumum that the person for whom the sterilization order is being requested be represented by counsel and that the petitioner, before a sterilization request is ordered by the court, be required to present evidence that the person cannot be protected from pregnancy by other means of contraception.

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1480	Unsafe opening of vehicle door	8-1577 \$11 8-1578 \$11
1485	Riding in house trailer	8-1579 \$11
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0496	or on grades	8-1580 \$11
0696	Coasting Following fire apparatus too closely	8-1581 \$11
0505	Driving over fire hose	8-1582 \$11
05 00 051 5	Putting glass, etc., on highway	8-1583
0525	Driving into intersection, crosswark, or	8-1584 \$11
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0595	Improper operation of snowmobile on	0-1000 dii
0528	highway	8-1586 \$11
0535	Parental responsibility of child riding	J
0536	bicycle Not riding on bicycle seat; too many	8-1588 \$11
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0547	Clinging to other vehicle	8-1589 \$11
0558	Improper riding of bicycle on roadway	8-1590 \$11
0564	Carrying articles on bicycle; one hand	8-1591 \$11
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0594	Improper motorcycle handlebars of	8-1597 \$11
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06	Improper lamps on parked vehicle	8-1716 \$11 8-1717 \$11
06	Improper lights, lamps, reflectors and	8-1717 \$11
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	0502	Improper lamps or lights on emergency	8-1720	\$11	
	0599	vehicle	0 1.11		
	0795	Improper stop or turn signal	8-1721	\$11	
		Improper vehicular hazard warning	8-1722	\$11	
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	0712	lamp	8-1723	\$11	
	0728	Unauthorized additional lighting	0-1120	ΨΙΙ	
	0729	equipment	0 1704	\$11	
	0725	Improper multiple-beam lights	8-1724		
	073	Failure to dim headlights	8-1725	\$11	
	0725	Improper single-beam headlights	8-1726	\$11	
	074	Improper speed with alternate lighting	8-1727	\$11	
	075	Improper number of driving lamps	8-1728	\$11	
	075	Unauthorized lights and signals	8-1729	\$11	
	076	Improper school bus lighting equip-	8-1730	\$11	
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	0769	Unauthorized lights and devices on	8-1730a	\$11	
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	077	Improper lights on highway construc-	8-1731	\$11	
	0785	tion or maintenance vehicles		.:.	
	078	Defective brakes	8-1734	\$11	
	0790	Defective or improper use of horn or	8-1738	\$11	
	0782	warning device			
	0795	Defective muffler	8-1739	\$11	
	0200	Defective mirror	8-1740	\$11	
	0808	Defective wipers; obstructed wind-	8-1741	\$11	
	0800	shield or windows			
	0818	Improper tires	8-1742	\$11	
	0825	Improper flares or warning devices	8-1744	3.00	
	0825	Improper use of vehicular hazard	8-1745	\$11	
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	0824	Improper air-conditioning equipment	8-1747		36
	0834	TV screen visible to driver	8-1748		72
	084	Improper safety belt or shoulder har-	8-1749	\$11	
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	0855	Use of one-way glass on windshields,	8-1749a	\$11	
	0858	windows or headlamps			
	085	Defective motorcycle headlamp	8-1801		
	0865	Defective motorcycle tail lamp	8-1802		
	0866	Defective motorcycle reflector	8-1803		
	0875	Defective motorcycle stop lamps and	8-1804	\$11	
*	0878	turn signals			
	0850	Defective multiple-beam lighting	8-1805	\$11	
	0890	Improper road-lighting equipment on	8-1806	\$11	
	0896	motor-driven cycles			
	0895	Defective motorcycle or motor-driven	8-1807	\$11	
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	0990	Improper performance ability of	8-1808	\$11	
	0906	brakes			
	0986	Operating motorcycle with disap-	8-1809	\$11	
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K.S.A. 68-2001; and said. The turnpike authority is hereby au-0996 thorized and empowered may, by resolution, to fix maximum and 0007 minimum speed limits for vehicles upon a highway or any part 0998 thereof under the authority's jurisdiction, which speed limits 0999 shall be effective when appropriate signs giving notice thereof 1000 are erected upon such highway or any part thereof; and any 1001 person violating any such speed limit shall be guilty of a mis-1002 demeanor and, upon conviction, shall be subject to the penalties 1003 prescribed by K.S.A. 8-2116. 1004 1005

(f) Notwithstanding amendments to this section, the suspension provided for in K.S.A. 8-1340 shall remain in effect in accordance with the terms thereof.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 8-1565 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1565. (a) No person shall drive any vehicle in any race, speed competition or contest, drag race or acceleration contest, test of physical endurance, exhibition of speed or acceleration, or for the purpose of making a speed record, and no person shall in any manner participate in any such race, competition, contest, test or exhibition.

- (b) For the purpose of As used in this section, the term drag race "drag race" means the operation of two (2) or more vehicles from a point side by side at accelerating speeds in a competitive attempt to out-distance each other, or the operation of one (1) or more vehicles over a common selected course, from the same point to the same point, for the purpose of comparing the relative speeds or power of acceleration of such vehicle or vehicles within a certain distance or time limit.
- (c) For the purpose of As used in this section, the term racing "racing" means the use of one (1) or more vehicles in an attempt to out-gain, out-distance or prevent another vehicle from passing, to arrive at a given destination ahead of another vehicle or vehicles, or to test the physical stamina or endurance of drivers over long distance driving routes.

(A) Any person convicted of violating this section shall be punished as provided in K.S.A. 8-2116. Violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 8-1566 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8-1566. (a) Any person who drives any vehicle in willful wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property i. reckless driving. 1035 (b) Every person convicted of reckless driving shall be pu 1036

ished upon Violation of this section is a misdemeanor. Upon first conviction by imprisonment for a period of a violation 1038 this section, a person shall be sentenced to not less than five 1039 days nor more than ninety (90) days, or by fine of 90 da 1040 imprisonment or fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25) \$. nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500) \$500, or by both suc fine and imprisonment, and on. On a second or subseque conviction shall be punished by imprisonment for of a violatic of this section, a person shall be sentenced to not less than ten (1 10 days nor more than six (6) months; or by a fine of impriso ment, or fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50) \$50 nor more tha five hundred dollars (\$500) \$500 or by both such fine an imprisonment.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 8-1567 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1567. (a) No person shall operate any vehicle within this stat while under the influence of alcohol.

(b) No person shall operate any vehicle within this state of the person is a habitual user of or under the influence of any narcotic hypnotic, somnifacient or stimulating drug or is under the influ ence of any other drug to a degree which renders such person incapable of safely driving a vehicle. The fact that any person charged with a violation of this subsection is or has been entitled to use the drug under the laws of this state shall not constitute a

defense against any charge of violating this subsection. (c) Violation of this section is a misdemeanor. Upon a first conviction of a violation of this section, a person shall be sentenced to not less than 48 hours' imprisonment or 100 hours of public service nor more than 6 months' imprisonment and fined not less than \$200 nor more than \$500, or by both such fine and imprisonment. The person convicted shall not be eligible for release on probation or suspension or reduction of sentence until the minimum sentence has been satisfied. In addition, the court shall enter an order which (1) restricts the person convic

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of this state has been suspended or revoked prior thereto. If any person violates any of the conditions imposed, the person's driver's license or privilege to operate a motor vehicle on the highways of this state shall be revoked for a period of not less than 60 days nor more than one year by the judge of the court in which such person is convicted of violating such conditions.

(n) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed as preventing any city from enacting ordinances declaring acts prohibited or made unlawful by this act as unlawful or prohibited in such city and prescribing penalties for violation thereof, but the minimum penalty in any such ordinance shall not be less than nor exceed the minimum penalty prescribed by this act for the same violation, nor shall the maximum penalty in any such ordinance exceed the maximum penalty prescribed for the same violation.

Sec. 10. K.S.A. 8-1586 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1586. (a) It is a misdemeanor for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required in Violation of any provision of K.S.A. 8-1587 to 8-1592, inclusive, is a traffic infraction.

(b) The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward shall not authorize or knowingly permit any such child or ward to violate any of the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1587 to 8-1592, inclusive.

(c) The provisions of K.S.A. 8-1587 to 8-1592, inclusive, which are applicable to bicycles shall apply whenever a bicycle is operated upon any highway or upon any path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles, subject to those exceptions stated herein.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 8-1605 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1605. The driver of any vehicle which collides with or is involved in an accident with any vehicle or other property which is unattended, resulting in any damage to such other vehicle or property, shall immediately stop and shall then and there either locate and notify the operator or owner of such vehicle or other property of his or her such person's name, address and the registration number of the vehicle he or she is such person was driving, or shall attach securely in a conspicuous place in or on such vehicle or other property a written notice giving his or her

such person's name, address and the registration number or the vehicle he or she is such person was driving, and without unnecessary delay shall notify the nearest office of a duly authorized police authority. Every such stop shall be made without obstructing traffic more than is necessary. Violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 12. K.S.A. 8-1606 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1606. (a) The driver of a vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person or total damage to all property to an apparent extent of three hundred dollars (\$300) \$300 or more shall give notice immediately of such accident, by the quickest means of communication, to the nearest office of a duly authorized police authority.

(b) Whenever the driver of a vehicle is physically incapable of giving an immediate notice of an accident as required in subsection (a) and there was another occupant in the vehicle at the time of the accident capable of doing so, such occupant shall make or cause to be given the notice not given by the driver.

(c) Violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 13. K.S.A. 8-1608 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1608. A person shall not give information in oral or written reports, as required in this article, knowing or having reason to believe that such information is false. Violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 14. K.S.A. 8-1701 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1701. (a) It is a misdemeanor unlawful for any person to drive or move or for the owner to cause or knowingly permit to be driven or moved on any highway any vehicle or combination of vehicles which is in such unsafe condition as to endanger any person, or which does not contain those parts or is not at all times equipped with such lamps and other equipment in proper condition and adjustment as required in this article, or which is equipped in any manner in violation of any provision of any section of this article 17, or for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required under by any provision of any section of this article 17. Except as otherwise provided in this article 17, violation of

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(e) Violation of this section is a misdemeanor. 0161

Sec. 20. K.S.A. 8-1749a is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1749a. (a) From and after July 1, 1978, no No motor vehicle required to be registered in this state and which is operated on the highways of this state shall be equipped with one-way glass or any adhesive film or other glaze or application on or in the front windshield, side wings or side windows on either side forward of or adjacent to the operator's seat, which prohibits or substantially impairs the ability to see into such motor vehicle from the 0168 outside, nor shall any new motor vehicle which is sold in this. 0169 0170 state be so equipped. 0171

(b) From and after July 1, 1978, no No motor vehicle required to be registered in this state which is operated on the highways of this state shall be equipped with one-way glass or any adhesive film or other glaze or application on or in the rear window, which prohibits or substantially impairs the ability to see into such motor vehicle from the outside but does not prohibit the ability to see out from the inside of such motor vehicle, nor shall any new motor vehicle which is sold in this state be so equipped. Nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to prohibit rear window glass which is tinted or smoked.

(c) From and after July 1, 1978, no No motor vehicle required to be registered in this state which is operated on the highways of this state shall be equipped with head lamps which are covered with any adhesive film or other glaze or application which, when such lamps are not in operation, is highly reflective or otherwise nontransparent.

(d) Any person convicted of violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor, except that upon a second conviction within one (1) year thereafter, such person shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor, and upon a third or subsequent conviction within one (1) year after the first conviction, such person shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

Sec. 21. K.S.A. 8-2104 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-2104. Whenever any person is halted (a) When a person is

stopped by a police officer for any violation of this act any 0196 provision of K.S.A. 8-1334 to 8-1341, inclusive, and articles 10 0197 and 14 to 22, inclusive, of chapter 8 of the Kansas ! ites 0198 Annotated and amendments to any of the sections in such statutes 0199 not amounting to a felony and such person demands an immedi-0200 ate appearance before a judge, such person shall be taken into 0201 custody and taken without unnecessary delay before a judge of 0202 the district court, as specified in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 1976 0203 Supp. 8-2106; in either of the following eases: 0204 0205

(a) When the person demands an immediate appearance be fore a judge of the district court; or

(b) In any other event when the person is issued a traffic eitation by an authorized person and refuses to give written promise to appear in court as hereinafter provided and amend ments thereto.

0210 (b) When any person is stopped by a police officer for an 0211 violation of any provision of K.S.A. 8-1334 to 8-1341, inclusive 0212 and articles 10 and 14 to 22, inclusive, of chapter 8 of the Kansa 0213 Statutes Annotated and amendments to any of the sections in suc statutes, which violation is a misdemeanor, and is not required be taken before a judge of the district court as provided 0216 subsection (a), the person may, in the discretion of the police 0217 officer, either be given a traffic citation as provided in K.S. 0218 8-2106 and amendments thereto, or be taken into custody ar 0219 taken without unnecessary delay before a judge of the distri 0220 court, as specified in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 8-2106 and amen 0221 ments thereto. 0222 0223

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Sec. 22. K.S.A. 8-2106 is hereby amended to read as follow

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person. If the person halted stopped furnishes the police officer with a guaranteed arrest bond certificate or bank card draft, the police officer shall give such person a receipt therefor and shall note the amount of the bond on the notice to appear form and give a copy of such form to the person halted stopped. Such person need not sign the written notice to appear, and the police officer shall present the notice to appear and the guaranteed arrest bond certificate or bank card draft to the court having jurisdiction of the offense charged as soon as reasonably possible.

(d) Whenever When any motor carrier, truck or truck tractor is halted stopped by an agent or employee of the department of revenue duly authorized under K.S.A. 8-1910 or 66-1319 to stop such motor carrier, truck or truck tractor for those any violations described in subsection (e) of this section which relate to the regulation of motor carriers, trucks or truck tractors, such agent or employee may require the driver of the motor carrier, truck or truck tractor so halted stopped to give a driver's license or bond in the same manner and to the same extent as in subsections (a) and (c).

(e) The offenses for which appearance bonds may be required as provided in subsection (c) and the amounts thereof shall be as follows:

Speeding, minimum bond	\$20
Eleven to fifteen over limit	30
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Twenty one to twenty five over limit	60
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Thirty one to forty over limit	80
Forty one and over the limit	100
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Fail to yield right of way to emergency vehicle	25
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Driving less than posted minimum speed, or impeding the normal	20
and reasonable flow of traffic	20
Driving left of center, in wrong lane or in wrong direction on one-	20
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Illegal passing	20
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Illegal stop, stand or park	
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0454	Registration violation
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0457	vehicle operated or violation of restrictions
0459	First offense of driving while license suspended or revoked 100
0461	Spilling load on highway on ac
0463	Failure to dim headlights
0465	Illegal or defective lights
0467	Overload:
0468	Gross weight of vehicle or
0469	combination of vehicles
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0472	Gross weight upon any
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0478	certification as required by K.S.A. 66-1324
0480	Improper equipment (horn, muffler, rear vision mirror, wines, glass,
0481	safety devices, and fire extinguishers, flores, reflectors, flore, or
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(f) In the event of forfeiture of any of the bonds set forth in this section, then \$10 of said bond under this section, \$19 of the amount forfeited bond shall be regarded as court costs in any court having jurisdiction over said such violation of state law. Sec. 24. K.S.A. 8-2109 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-2109. (a) Except for felonies, a police officer at the scene of a private of the scene of a private of the scene of the traffic accident may issue a written traffic citation, as provided in K.S.A. 8-2106 and amendments thereto, to any driver of a vehicle involved in the accident when, based upon personal investigation, the officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that the person has committed any offense under the provisions of this act in connection with the accident.

(b) A police officer at the scene of a traffic accident may arrest any driver of a vehicle involved in the accident when, based upon personal investigation, the officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that the person has committed any offense under the provisions of the uniform vehicle code in connection

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Sec. 25. K.S.A. 8-2110 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-2110. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to violate such person's written promise to appear, given to an officer upon the issuance of a traffic citation Except when the violation is for

illegal parking, standing or stopping, if a person fails to appear as

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directed in a traffic citation or as further ordered by the court and

has not otherwise complied with the citation as provided in

section 1, the court shall notify the person by mail to the address

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the driver's license of the person be suspended. The notice shall

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meanor for which a warrant for arrest may be issued. After the

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citation or order of the court, the court shall terminate the sus-

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(b) Failure either to appear or otherwise comply with a traffic citation within 15 days after the date of the notice provided for in subsection (a) of this section is a misdemeanor, regardless of the disposition of the charge for which such citation was originally issued.

(b) In addition to penalties of law applicable under subsection (a), when a person violates a written promise to appear, given to an officer upon the issuance of a traffic citation, except for illegal parking, standing or stopping, the court in which such person should have appeared shall inform the division of vehicles of such violation. Upon receipt of a report of a violation under this subsection, pursuant to K.S.A. 8-255, and amendments thereto, the division of vehicles shall notify the violator and initiate an action to suspend the license of the violator until satisfactory evidence of compliance with the terms of the traffic eitation has been furnished the informing court. Upon such compliance the informing court shall notify the division of vehi eles and the suspension or suspension action shall be terminated Sec. 26. K.S.A. 8-2116 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-2116. (a) Every person convicted of violating any of the provisions of this act for which another penalty is not provided

sections listed in the uniform fine schedule in section 1 is guilty of 0554 a traffic infraction. 0555

(b) Except where another penalty or class of misdemeanor is provided by statute, every person convicted of violating any provision of K.S.A. 8-1334 to 8-1341, inclusive, and articles 10 and 14 to 22, inclusive, of chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated and amendments to any of the sections in such statutes designated as a misdemeanor shall be is guilty of a class C misdemeanor, except that upon a second such eonviction offense committed within one (1) year thereafter after the date of the first such offense, upon conviction thereof, such person shall be is guilty of a class B misdemeanor, and upon a third or subsequent eonviction such offense committed within one (1) year after the first eonviction such offense, upon conviction thereof, such person shall be is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

Sec. 27. K.S.A. 20-302b is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-302b. (a) A district magistrate judge shall have the jurisdiction, power and duty, in any case in which a violation of the laws of the state is charged, to conduct the trial of traffic infraction or misdemeanor charges and the preliminary examination of felony charges. In civil cases, a district magistrate judge shall have concurrent jurisdiction, powers and duties with a district judge, except that, unless otherwise specifically provided in subsection (b), a district magistrate judge shall not have jurisdiction or cognizance over the following actions:

(1) Any action in which the amount in controversy, exclusive of interests and costs, exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000) \$5,000, except that in actions of replevin, the affidavit in replevin or the verified petition fixing the value of the property govern the jurisdiction; nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as limiting the power of a district magistrate judge to hear

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(b) In felony cases the defendant must appear and plea plead personally and a verbatim record of all proceedings at the plea and entry of judgment thereon shall be made.

- In traffic infraction and misdemeanor cases the court may allow the defendant to appear and plead by counsel.
- (d) A plea of guilty or nolo contendere, for good cause shown and within the discretion of the court, may be withdrawn at any time before sentence is adjudged. To correct manifest injustice the court after sentence may set aside the judgment of conviction and permit the defendant to withdraw the plea.
- Sec. 36. K.S.A. 22-3404 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22-3404. (1) The trial of misdemeanor and traffic infraction cases shall be to the court unless a jury trial is requested in writing by the defendant not later than 48 hours prior to the trial.
- (2) A jury in a misdemeanor or traffic infraction case shall consist of six members.
 - Trials in the municipal court of a city shall be to the court.
- (4) Except as otherwise provided by law, the rules and procedures applicable to jury trials in felony cases shall apply to jury trials in misdemeanor and traffic infraction cases.
- Sec. 37. K.S.A. 22-3405 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22-3405. (1) The defendant in a felony case shall be present at the arraignment, at every stage of the trial including the impaneling of the jury and the return of the verdict, and at the imposition of sentence, except as otherwise provided by law. In prosecutions for crimes not punishable by death, the defendant's voluntary absence after the trial has been commenced in his such person's presence shall not prevent continuing the trial to and including the return of the verdict. A corporation may appear by counsel for all purposes.
- (2) The defendant must be present, either personally or by counsel, at every stage of the trial of a traffic infraction and misdemeanor ease cases.
- Sec. 38. K.S.A. 22-3409 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22-3409. When a jury trial is demanded, as provided by law, for a traffic infraction or misdemeanor ease cases, the judge shall summon not less than 12 prospective jurors from the source and

in the manner provided for the summoning of other petit jurors in 0918 the district court in the county. 0919

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Sec. 39. K.S.A. 22-3412 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22-3412. (1) Peremptory challenges shall be allowed as follows:

- (a) Each defendant charged with a class A felony shall be allowed 12 peremptory challenges.
- (b) Each defendant charged with a class B felony shall be allowed eight peremptory challenges.
- (c) Each defendant charged with a felony other than class A or class B felony shall be allowed six peremptory challenges.
- (d) Each defendant charged with a misdemeanor or traffic infraction shall be allowed four two peremptory challenges.
- (e) Additional peremptory challenges shall not be allowed on account of separate counts charged in the complaint, information or indictment.
- (f) The prosecution shall be allowed the same number of peremptory challenges as all the defendants.
- (2) After the parties have interposed all of their challenges to jurors, or have waived further challenges, the jury shall be sworn to try the case.
- (3) Immediately after the jury is empaneled and sworn, a trial judge may empanel one or more alternate or additional jurors whenever, in the judge's discretion, the judge believes it advisable to have such jurors available to replace jurors who, prior to the time the jury retires to consider its verdict, become or are found to be unable to perform their duties. Such jurors shall be selected in the same manner, have the same qualifications, and be subject to the same examination and challenges and take the same oath and have the same functions, powers and privileges as the regular jurors. Each party shall be entitled to one peremptory challenge to such alternate jurors. Such alternate jurors shall be seated near the other jurors, with equal power and facilities for 0949 seeing and hearing the proceedings in the case, and they must 0950 attend at all times upon the trial of the cause in company with the 0951 other jurors. They shall obey the orders of and be bound by the 0952 admonition of the court upon each adjournment, but if the regular 0953 jurors are ordered to be kept in custody during the trial of the 0954