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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Tim Carmody at 3:30 p.m. on February 19, 1998 in Room 313--S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Adkins (excused)

Committee staff present: Jerry Ann Donaldson, Legislative Research Department

Mike Heim, Legislative Research Department

Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes Jan Brasher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending: See attached list

The Chair called the meeting to order and stated that written testimony on <u>HB 2606</u> from LewJene Schneider, Director of Research and Legal Affairs had been placed into the Committee members' folders. (<u>Attachment 1</u>)

The Chair referred to Representative Powell for the Criminal Law Subcommittee report.

HB 2744

Fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer in a willful manner with disregard for the safety of others, severity level 9, person felony.

HB 2563 Fleeing or eluding police officer; penalty

Representative Powell reported that there were some parts of <u>SB_2744</u> that the Subcommittee members liked and that the Subcommittee's report amends certain provisions of <u>HB_2563</u> into <u>HB_2744</u>. Representative Powell stated that the additional language on the balloon was requested by Representative Shriver. The language would amend the bill by requiring that the division of vehicles shall promote public awareness of the provisions of this bill when persons apply for or renew such person's driver's license. (<u>Attachment 2</u>)

A motion was made by Representative Powell, second by Representative Howell to adopt the subcommittee report. The motion carries.

The Committee members discussed issues concerning the level 9 severity level and the definition and conditions contained in Section 1 (d). The Committee members and staff reviewed the reckless driving . statute. The Committee members discussed several situations which will or will not apply if this bill is passed.

A motion was made by Representative Wilk, second by Representative Mays to recommend HB 2744 for passage as amended. The motion carries.

HB 2726 Cigarette or tobacco products; infractions, classifications and trials; records of sales; criminal offenses; civil penalties; juveniles

Representative Powell discussed the Subcommittee's amendments to HB 2726. (Attachment 3)

Representative Powell made a motion, second by Representative Shriver to adopt the Subcommittee report. The motion carries.

The Committee members discussed the floor amendment made last session to <u>SB 87</u> and the Governor's reason for vetoing that bill.

A motion was made by Representative Powell, second by Representative Gilmore to recommend HB 2726 favorably as amended for passage. The motion carries.

HB 2625 Liability of parents of children who shoplift

Representative Powell reported that the Subcommittee amended <u>HB 2625</u> by including a provision stating that Subsection (b) shall only apply to unemancipated minor who has been adjudicated a juvenile offender pursuant to the Kansas juvenile justice code for such shoplifting. Representative Powell stated that the amendment was made so that a factual determination would be made, before action against the parents could

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be taken. The second change made by the Subcommittee was requested by the insurance industry and would make a claim or judgment under the provision of this bill not an obligation or liability against any insurer or third-party payor. (Attachment 4)

Discussion by Committee members regarding the purpose and intent of the proposed changes followed.

A motion was made by Representative Powell, second by Representative Gilmore to adopt the subcommittee report. The motion carries.

The Committee members discussed whether under the provisions of this bill, there could be double reimbursement for damages by the juvenile and by the parents. The Committee members discussed the policy issue of creating a degree of liability on the parents that does not exist now.

Representative Swenson suggested that a bill by Representative Klein, <u>HB 2717</u> be amended into <u>HB 2625</u>.

The Chair requested that Representative Klein's amendment be considered after the completion of discussion on HB 2625.

The Committee discussed the content of the balloon offered by the Subcommittee on page one.

Representative Mays made a motion to remove the balloon on page one Representative Powell second the motion. The motion fails.

Representative Garner suggested that language be added to include diversion; "or placed on diversion" after the word adjudicated in the balloon on page one. The Chair stated that Representative Garner's suggestion would make it necessary that the juvenile was either adjudicated or placed on diversion as a pre-condition for bringing a civil suit against the parents.

A motion was made by Representative Garner, second by Representative Mays to insert the language, "or placed on diversion" after the word "adjudicated" in the balloon on page one. The motion carries.

The Committee members discussed a recommendation made in Subcommittee to remove the guardian language in the bill.

A motion was made by Representative Mays, second by Representative Powell, to take out the liability of the guardians in this bill. The motion carries.

Representative Swenson made a motion, second by Representative Klein to amend balloon version of HB 2717 into HB 2625.

After extensive discussion on HB 2717, the Chair ruled the motion out of order.

The committee members discussed provisions in HB 2625 concerning the intent to shoplift.

Representative Haley made a motion to strike language on page 2, lines 23 through 29. No second. The motion fails.

Representative Haley discussed placing a conceptual provision for amortizing the amount of damages.

Representative Kirk made a motion, second by Representative Garner that would conceptually restrict a merchants right to sue the parents for damages if restitution was made by the juvenile. The motion carries with a vote of nine to eight.

Representative Presta made a motion to remove the balloon amendment as amended (on page one) and return the bill to its original form. Representative Powell second the motion. The motion carries ten to eight.

A motion was made by Representative Klein to strike subsection (c) removing lines 29 and 30 on page one of the bill, thereby, terminating the merchant's right to assign a claim. Representative Garner second the motion.

Substitute motion was made by Representative Powell, second by Representative Wilk to pass HB 2625 as amended. The substitute motion carries.

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HB 2233 Allowing counties and cities to establish a detention facilities processing fee.

Representative Powell stated that this issue was brought forward by the Sheriff of Sedgwick County to remedy a situation that occurs in many counties. This bill concerns the cost of processing retentees and ways to offset that cost. This bill would a allow counties and cities the option to assess the defendant for the cost of that processing, thus putting the cost on the defendant incurring that cost instead of on the taxpayers. (Attachment 5)

Representative Powell reported that the only amendments made were technical and one to change the fee amount.

Representative Powell made a motion, second by Representative Dahl to adopt the Subcommittee report. The motion carries.

Representative Powell made a motion, second by Representative Dahl to recommend HB 2233 favorably for passage as amended. The motion carries.

SB 269 Collection of fingerprints and criminal history for persons applying for admission to practice law.

Representative Powell stated that the subcommittee reports this bill favorably without amendments. This bill would provide for the fingerprinting and criminal history background check for persons who seek admission to the bar, particularly out of state applicants who might have a criminal history.

The committee members discussed reasons for supporting and reasons for not supporting the bill.

Representative Powell stated that this bill was drafted to prevent those from out of state with criminal histories to be admitted to the bar, as well as, deter the practice of someone taking the exam for another person. Representative Powell stated along with other members of the committee stated that attorneys often have fiduciary responsibilities and that the public should be protected from those who have a criminal history. Some of the Committee members voiced objections to this bill because it would set a precedent for fingerprinting other groups.

Representative Garner distributed an amendment to <u>SB 269</u> that would add the language in Section one, "if reasonable suspicion exists to warrant the fingerprinting" The amendment would also add a new subsection (c) regarding what information can be requested and setting a time limit for keeping of that information. (<u>Attachment 6</u>)

Representative Garner made a motion to adopt the balloon language concerning reasonable suspicion in section one. Representative Pauls second the motion. The motion carries with a vote of twelve to five.

Representative Garner made a motion to adopt the balloon language adding a new subsection (c) in Section one (1). The motion carries.

Representative Krehbiel made a motion, second by Representative Swenson to report the amended SB 269 unfavorably.

Representative Mays made a motion, second by Representative Wilk to table SB 269 as amended. The motion carries.

HB 2711 Sentencing; offender's criminal history classification to include prior violations of municipal ordinances and county resolutions.

Representative Powell stated that Representative Shultz was one of the many sponsor's of this bill. Representative Powell explained the background and purpose for drafting HB 2711.

Representative Powell made a motion to recommend HB 2711 favorably for passage. Representative Shriver second the motion. The motion carries.

The Chair discussed the Committee's agenda for the upcoming week. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m

The next meeting is scheduled for February 23, 1998.

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Testimony

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LewJene Schneider, Director of Research and Legal Affairs

regarding

House Bill 2606

before the

House Judiciary Committee

February 9, 1998

The Kansas Livestock Association (KLA), formed in 1894, is a trade association representing over 7,300 members on legislative and regulatory issues. KLA members are involved in all segments of the livestock industry, including cowcalf, feedlot, seedstock, swine, dairy and sheep. In 1996 cash receipts from agriculture products totaled over \$7.5 billion, with sixty percent of that coming from the sale of livestock. Cattle represent the largest share of cash receipts, representing ninety percent of the livestock and poultry marketings.

House Judiciare 2-19-98 AHachment 1 Email: kla@kla.org Chairperson Carmody and members of the House Judiciary Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify today. My name is LewJene Schneider. I am the Director of Research and Legal Affairs for the Kansas Livestock Association.

KLA urges you vote against House Bill 2606. We are not convinced anything is broken, so why fix it? Additionally, as an attorney I know the challenge in educating attorneys regarding changes in the law. I believe educating the general public, who has been using and relying on statutory liens for years, would be difficult at best. My concern is for those who are unaware of the law's change and are left with no remedy.

I might also share with the Committee that I know of no agricultural or livestock groups who were asked to participate or work with the Kansas Judicial Council's Civil Code Advisory Committee proposing the legislation. I would ask they allow KLA to be part of any additional meetings and recommendations.

The proposed legislation would change the filing of statutory or common-law liens that attach to goods for services and materials provided by a person in the ordinary course of her business that have priority over competing security interest (even prior perfected ones), K.S.A. 84-9-310. This exception is justified because the lienholder's services add to or maintain the collateral's value. A common example of such a statutory lien is the mechanic's lien that arises when a person repairs or improves equipment, vehicles, or other personal property.

Most of these liens take priority over even previously perfected security interests under the U.C.C. Even though the priority would not change, I am concerned KLA members could lose their priority due to the change in the law and filing procedure. It also appears to be additionally burdensome and more costly. It is not clear where the lien will be filed. Currently, many of our members file their own liens, without the assistance of legal counsel.

Many state legislatures created statutory liens to give special protection to individuals and economic groups involved in the production or financing of agriculture products. Statutory liens are not consensual and do not depend upon judicial action by the creditor. A lien can be imposed unilaterally by the mechanic or artisan upon the furnishing of services or material at the request or with the consent of the owner of the personal property. A security interest, on the other hand, must be specifically created by the owner of the property to repay a present or future debt.

While the distinction may seem minor, the imposition of a lien involves different formalities and procedures than a security interest. The interaction with the U.C.C. is such that some of the statutory liens take priority over a competing security interest in the same collateral while others do not.

Kansas provides for a number of liens for agriculture--livery keepers, threshers, veterinarians, and agisters who care for animals and harvest crops. Generally a lien perfected under the various provisions of K.S.A. 58-201, et seq., permits a supplier of feed, labor, medicine or pasture and a harvester of crops to unilaterally impose a lien on farm products to secure payment for the services or feed provided.

K.S.A. 58-207 provides that those engaged in the feeding of livestock have a lien upon the livestock for the feed and care provided. The lien is possessory only and there is no provision for filing a lien statement. Perfection is possession. This bill would require filing of a form at either the office of the register of deeds or secretary of state--or worse yet, both.

An agister's lien is perfected by possession or by filing a lien statement. The lien statement must be verified, but no specific form or contents are required by statute. By analogy to other lien statements, an agister's lien statement should set out: name of the owner of livestock; a description of and the number of the livestock; a description of the location of the leased pasture; the unpaid rent amount provided in the lease; the date(s) of the lease; and the name of the claimant.

Credit plays a large role in agricultural operations. Credit is essential to America's business world and very important in agricultural operations, even non-real estate farm debt. If a debtor fails to pay for goods purchased on credit, the unsecured creditor must file a lawsuit against the debtor, obtain a civil judgment and collect the judgment by seizing and selling non-exempt property. This is a slow, expensive, and inefficient process. The secured creditor, however, contracts for an interest in specific property of the debtor and can often obtain the collateral without the expense of a lawsuit.

An interesting recent case, not from Kansas, involved a claim of a security interest in embryos that were arguably subject to a prior security interest claimed by a bank. The court granted the entity in possession of the embryos a common-law artisan's lien that was superior to the bank's lien, even though it had earlier ruled that the bank had superior priority in order to allow the farmer to get operational financing during the bankruptcy. The court's rationale was that to hold otherwise would be "fundamentally unfair." *Matter of Stookey Holsteins Inc.*, 112 Bankr. 942 (Bankr. N.D. Ind. 1990)

I understand the intent of the Council was to establish a uniform means of creating all liens, but to whose advantage--urban attorneys? It also allows up to 90 days for filing. Time does not appear to have been a problem, unless the cattle are in the meat by then.

I am concerned time will be a problem when a pen of cattle are sold out of a feed yard Friday afternoon about 4:30 p.m., and must be delivered to the packing plant by Monday morning at 7 a.m. Pursuant to Federal Law, the packing plant must have payment to the customer by the close of Tuesday, which is interpreted to mean 5 p.m. Just when will there be time to file the correct form at the correct place, yet to be determined, to perfect the statutory lien? Furthermore, if the customer receives the check by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, he could be on his way to the Bahamas while the feed yard has a feed bill for many thousands of dollars and has 90 days to file.

KLA does not believe this legislation is in the best interest of its members. It appears cumbersome and burdensome. Again, KLA would urge you to vote against House Bill 2606. I will be happy to answer questions. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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HOUSE BILL No. 2744

By Representative Huff

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AN ACT concerning crimes and punishment; relating to fleeing or eluding a police officer; amending K.S.A. 1997 Supp. 8-1568 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 1997 Supp. 8-1568 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1568. (a) Any driver of a motor vehicle who willfully fails or refuses to bring such driver's vehicle to a stop, or who otherwise flees or attempts to elude a pursuing police vehicle or police bicycle, when given visual or audible signal to bring the vehicle to a stop, shall be guilty as provided by subsection (b) or (c). The signal given by the police officer may be by hand, voice, emergency light or siren. The officer giving such signal shall be in uniform, prominently displaying such officer's badge of office, and the officer's vehicle or bicycle shall be appropriately marked showing it to be an official police vehicle or police bicycle.

- (b) (1) Every person convicted of violating subsection (a), upon a first conviction, shall be guilty of a class B nonperson misdemeanor.
- (2) Every person convicted of violating subsection (a), upon a second conviction of such subsection, shall be guilty of a class A nonperson misdemeanor.
- (3) Every person convicted of violating subsection (a), upon a third or subsequent conviction of such subsection, shall be guilty of a severity level 9, person felony.
- (4) (c) Any driver of a motor vehicle who flees or attempts to elude a pursuing police officer in violation of subsection (a) and the pursued motor vehicle is driven in a willful and wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property, the person driving the motor vehicle, upon conviction shall be guilty of a severity level 3 person felony. For purposes of this subsection, a willful or wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property includes, but is not limited to, driving while fleeing or attempting to elude a pursuing police officer during which time either three or more traffic infractions occur, or damage to property occurs.
- (d) For the purpose of this section "conviction" means a final conviction without regard whether sentence was suspended or probation granted after such conviction. Forfeiture of bail, bond or collateral de-

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or violating subsection (c)

who violates the provision of subsection (a) and who:

(1) Commits any of the following during police pursuit: (A) Exceeds posted speed limit by more than 20 miles per hour; (B) fails to stop for a police roadblock; (C) drives around tire deflating devices placed by police officer; (D) engages in reckless driving as defined by K.S.A. 8-1566, and amendments thereto; (E) is involved in any motor vehicle accident or causes any intentional property damage; or (F) commits three or more traffic infractions; or

(2) is attempting to elude capture for the commission of any felony, shall be guilty as provided in subsection (b)(3).

posited to secure a defendant's appearance in court, which forfeiture has not been vacated, shall be equivalent to a conviction.

3 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 1997 Supp. 8-1568 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

5 publication in the statute book.

(e) The division of vehicles of the department of revenue shall promote public awareness of the provisions of this section when persons apply for or renew such person's driver's license.

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HOUSE BILL No. 2726

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning cigarettes and tobacco products; relating to cigarette or tobacco infractions; penalties therefor; certain records of sales; amending K.S.A. 79-3316, 79-3322, 79-3391 and 79-3393 and K.S.A. 1997 Supp. 12-4214, 12-4305, 21-3105, 21-4503a, 22-3404, 22-3409, 22-3412 and 22-3609a and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 1997 Supp. 12-4214 is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-4214. (a) Except as provided further, when a person is charged with an ordinance traffic infraction or an ordinance cigarette or tobacco infraction, the notice to appear shall provide a place where the person may make a written entry of appearance, waive the right to a trial and plead guilty or no contest. The notice to appear shall provide a space in which the law enforcement officer, except as provided in subsection (b), shall enter the appropriate fine specified in the fine schedule established by the municipal judge in accordance with K.S.A. 12-4305 and amendments thereto, in the case of a traffic infraction, or a fine of \$25 as established in subsection (d), in the case of an ordinance cigarette or tobacco infraction. Either the notice to appear or a separate form provided to the person by the law enforcement officer shall provide an explanation: (1) Of the person's right to appear and right to trial and the person's right to pay the appropriate fine prior to the appearance date; (2) that failure to either pay such fine or appear at the specified time may result in issuance of a warrant for the person's arrest; and (3) in the case of a traffic infraction, that failure to either pay such fine or appear at the specified time may result in the suspension of the person's driver's license. The law enforcement officer shall provide the person with the telephone number and address of the municipal court to which the written entry of appearance, waiver of trial, plea of guilty or no contest and payment of fine shall be mailed.

(b) In lieu of the law enforcement officer entering the appropriate fine for an ordinance traffic infraction, the officer may direct the person charged with an ordinance traffic infraction to contact the clerk of the municipal court to determine the applicable fine or provide the person with a copy of the fine schedule established by the municipal judge in

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declaration, conforming to K.S.A. 53-601 and amendments thereto, that the person was 18 or more years of age.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary for purposes of this subsection the person who violates this subsection shall be the individual directly selling, furnishing or distributing the cigarettes or tobacco products to any person under 18 years of age and the licensed retail dealer shall not have violated this subsection unless such dealer was the person directly selling, furnishing or distributing such cigarettes or tobacco products or had actual knowledge of such selling, furnishing or distributing by such dealer's employed.

(c) Violation of subsection (m) or (n) of K.S.A. 79-3321 and amendments thereto is a cigarette or tobacco infraction for which the fine is \$25 for a first conviction, \$50 for a second conviction and \$150 for a third or subsequent conviction. In addition, the judge may require the juvenile to appear in court with a parent or legal guardian and further may require the juvenile to complete, at the juvenile's own expense, an educational program, which shall consist of a minimum of two hours, focusing on the dangers associated with the use of cigarettes or tobacco products.

(d) Any agent, employees or others who aid, abet or otherwise participate in any way in the violation of this act or in any of the offenses hereunder punishable shall be guilty and punished as principals to the same extent as any person violating this act.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 79-3391 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3391. (a) In addition to or in lieu of any other civil or criminal penalty provided by law, the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee, upon a finding that a licensee under this act has violated any provision of this act or any provision of any rule and regulation of the secretary of revenue adopted pursuaht to this act shall impose on such licensee a civil fine not exceeding \$1,000 for each violation.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person, directly or indirectly, to: (1) Sell, give or furnish any cigarettes or tobacco products to any person under 18 years of age; or (2) buy any cigarettes or tobacco products for any person under 18 years of age. In determining the fine to be imposed under this section for a violation of subsection (b) of K.S.A. 70 3322 and amendments thereto by a licensed retail dealer whose employee sold, furnished or distributed the cigarettes or tobacco products, the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee shall consider it to be a mitigating circumstance if the employee had completed a training program, approved by the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee, in avoiding sale, furnishing or distributing of cigarettes and tobacco products to persons under 18 years of age.

(b) (c) No fine shall be imposed pursuant to this section except upon the written order of the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee

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HOUSE BILL No. 2625

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning civil procedure; relating to civil penalties against shoplifters; amending K.S.A. 60-3331 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 60-3331 is hereby amended to read as follows: 60-3331. (a) Except as otherwise provided, a merchant may file a civil action to receive a civil penalty against any adult or emancipated minor who shoplifts from that merchant. If the merchant does not recover the merchandise in merchantable condition, the merchant shall be entitled to a civil penalty for an amount equal to twice the retail cost of the merchandise, or \$50, whichever is greater, but in no case shall such civil penalty be more than \$500. If the merchant recovers the merchandise in merchantable condition, the merchant shall be entitled to a civil penalty of \$50 or 50% of the retail cost of the merchandise, whichever is greater, but in no case shall such civil penalty be more than \$350.

- (b) If an unemancipated minor shoplifts, the parent or guardian of such minor shall be civilly liable in an amount of the civil penalty as prescribed in subsection (a), except that the provisions of this subsection shall not apply in cases where the guardian is a state agency.
- (c) A merchant may assign a claim arising under subsection (a) or (b).
- (d) Unless the action is brought pursuant to the Kansas small claims act and a final judgment is rendered in small claims court, the prevailing party in such action brought pursuant to this section shall be entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs. If the action is brought in small claims court and the judgment is appealed to district court pursuant to chapter 60 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated or K.S.A. 61-2709 and amendments thereto, the prevailing party on appeal shall be entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs.
- (e) (e) A conviction or a plea of guilty to the offense of theft of the perchandise is not a prerequisite to the filing of a civil action under this action.
- (d) (f) Prior to filing a civil action under this section, a merchant damaged by shoplifting may demand that an individual alleged to be civilly

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The provisions of this subsection shall only apply to an unemancipated minor who has been adjudicated a juvenile offender pursuant to the Kansas juvenile justice code for such shoplifting.

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liable under this act reimburse such merchant in an amount of the civil penalty as prescribed in subsection (a). Such demand, if made, shall be in writing and may be offered in consideration for the merchant's agreement not to commence a civil action under this section. Such demand shall not contain a threat of criminal prosecution against such individual. Any merchant who makes a demand with a threat of criminal prosecution against such individual shall be precluded from filing a civil action under this section and pursuing any other remedy at law or equity. A demand pursuant to this subsection is not a prerequisite to filing a civil action under this section, but no demand may be made which does not comply with this subsection.

(e) (g) Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to preclude a merchant from pursuing any other remedy at law or equity prior to filing an action under this act.

(f) (h) For purposes of this act, "shoplift" means any one or more of the following acts committed by a person without the consent of the merchant and with the intent of appropriating merchandise to that person's or another's own use without payment, obtaining merchandise at less than its stated sales price or otherwise depriving a merchant of all or any part of the value or use of merchandise:

(1) Removing any merchandise from the premises of the merchant's establishment;

(2) concealing any merchandise with intent to leave the premises with the merchandise;

(3) substituting, altering, removing or disfiguring any label or price tag;

(4) transferring any merchandise from a container in which that merchandise is displayed or packaged to any other container; or

(5) disarming any alarm tag attached to any merchandise.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 60-3331 is hereby repealed.

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

(i) A claim or judgment under the provisions of this section shall not constitute an obligation or liability against any insurer or third-party payor. (Suggested by Representative Clark Shultz)

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HOUSE BILL No. 2233

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9	AN ACT concerning criminal procedure; relating to costs thereof; amend-	1997
10	ing K.S.A. 1996 Supp. 12-4112 and 28-172d and repealing the existing	
11	sections; also repealing K.S.A. [1996] Supp. 28-172a.	1997
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	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:	
14	New Section 1. (a) Any person convicted or diverted, or adjudicated	
15	or diverted under a preadjudication program, pursuant to K.S.A. 22-2906	
16	et seq., 38-1635 et seq., or 12-4414 et seq., and amendments thereto, of	
17	a misdemeanor or felony contained in chapters 8, 21, 41 or 65 of the	
18	Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, where fingerprints	
19	are required pursuant to K.S.A. 21-2501, and amendments thereto, shall	
20	pay a separate court cost as determined by the board of county commis-	if
21	sioners or by the governing body of a city, where a city operates a deten-	
22	tion facility, as a booking or processing fee for each complaint.	votes to adopt such a fee
23	(b) Such fee shall be in addition to and not in substitution for any	
24	and all fines and penalties otherwise provided for by law for such offense.	
25	(c) Disbursements of these fees shall be to the general fund of the	ï
26	governing body responsible for the funding of the sheriff, police depart-	
27	ment or countywide law enforcement agency that obtains the fingerprints. (d) Such fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of processing por-	
28	sons into the detention facility as determined by the governing body.	
20	Sec. 2. K.S.A. [1996] Supp. 12-4112 is hereby amended to read as	\$45
30	follows: 12-4112. No person shall be assessed costs for the administration	
31	of justice in any municipal court case, except for witness fees and mileage	1997
32 33	as set forth in K.S.A. 12-4411, and amendments thereto, and; for the	
34	assessment required by K.S.A. [1996] Supp. 20-1all, and amendments	
35	thereto; for the judicial branch education fund and; for the assessment	1997
36	required by K.S.A. [1996] Supp. 12-4117 and amendments thereto for the	Property and a second
37	law enforcement training center fund established pursuant to K.S.A. 74-	1997
38	5619 and amendments thereto, the local law enforcement training re-	1997
39	imbursement fund established pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5620, and amend-	
40	ments thereto, and the juvenile detention facilities fund as provided in	
4	I.S.A. [1996] Supp. 12-4117, and amendments thereto; and for the assess-	1997
A	ment required by section 1, and amendments thereto, for the detention	
43	facility processing fee.	
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Sec. 3. K.S.A. 1996 Supp. 28-172d is hereby amended to read as follows: 28-172d. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, whenever the prosecuting witness or defendant is adjudged to pay the costs in a criminal proceeding in any county, a docket fee shall be taxed as follows:

On and after July 1, 1996:

\$164.50
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(b) In actions involving the violation of any of the laws of this state regulating traffic on highways (including those listed in subsection (c) of S.A. 8-2118, and amendments thereto), a cigarette or tobacco infraction, any act declared a crime pursuant to the statutes contained in chapter 32 of Kansas Statutes Annotated and amendments thereto or any act declared a crime pursuant to the statutes contained in article 8 of chapter 82a of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, whenever the prosecuting witness or defendant is adjudged to pay the costs in the action, a docket fee of \$45. When an action is disposed of under subsections (a) and (b) of K.S.A. 8-2118 or subsection (f) of K.S.A. 1996-Supp 79-3393, and amendments thereto, whether by mail or in person, the docket fee to be paid as court costs shall be \$45.

(c) If a conviction is on more than one count, the docket fee shall be the highest one applicable to any one of the counts. The prosecuting witness or defendant, if assessed the costs, shall pay only one fee. Multiple defendants shall each pay one fee.

(d) Statutory charges for law library funds, the law enforcement training center fund, the prosecuting attorneys' training fund, the juvenile detention facilities fund, the judicial branch education fund, the emerancy medical services operating fund and the judiciary technology fund shall be paid from the docket fee; the family violence and child abuse and neglect assistance and prevention fund fee shall be paid from criminal proceedings docket fees. All other fees and expenses to be assessed as additional court costs shall be approved by the court, unless specifically fixed by statute. Additional fees shall include, but are not limited to, fees for Kansas bureau of investigation forensic or laboratory analyses, fees for detention facility processing pursuant to section 1, and amendments thereto, fees for the sexual assault evidence collection kit, fees for conducting an examination of a sexual assault victim, fees for service of process outside the state, witness fees, fees for transcripts and depositions, costs from other courts, doctors' fees and examination and evaluation fees.

sheriff in this state shall charge any district court of this state a fee or leage for serving any paper or process.

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(e) In each case charging a violation of the laws relating to parking of motor vehicles on the statehouse grounds or other state-owned or operated property in Shawnee county, Kansas, as specified in K.S.A. 75-4510a, and amendments thereto, or as specified in K.S.A. 75-4508, and amendments thereto, the clerk shall tax a fee of \$2 which shall constitute the entire costs in the case, except that witness fees, mileage and expenses incurred in serving a warrant shall be in addition to the fee. Appearance bond for a parking violation of K.S.A. 75-4508 or 75-4510a, and amendments thereto, shall be \$3, unless a warrant is issued. The judge may order the bond forfeited upon the defendant's failure to appear, and \$2 of any bond so forfeited shall be regarded as court costs.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 1996 Supp. 12-4112, 28-172a and 28-172d are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

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SENATE BILL No. 269

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning attorneys; relating to admission to practice law; requirements; fingerprints and criminal history.

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

Section 1. (a) The supreme court may require all applicants for regular admission to practice law in this state to be fingerprinted. [with the costs to be borne by the applicant.] The fingerprints shall be used to identify the applicant and to determine whether the applicant has a record of criminal arrests and convictions in this state or other jurisdictions. The supreme court and the state board of law examiners are authorized to submit the fingerprints to the Kansas bureau of investigation and to the federal bureau of investigation for a state and national criminal history record check. The state board of law examiners and the supreme court may use the information obtained from fingerprinting and the criminal history only for purposes of identification of any applicant and in the official determination of character and fitness of the applicant for regular admission to practice law in this state.

(b) Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall assist the supreme court in the taking and processing of fingerprints of applicants seeking admission to practice law in this state and shall release all records of an applicant's arrests and convictions to the supreme court and the state board of law examiners.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

If reasonable suspicion exists to warrant the fingerprinting,

(c) Such fingerprints shall only be used for criminal background checks and shall not be kept on file by any federal, state or local governmental agency. Such fingerprints shall be returned to the applicant.