

## HOUSE BILL No. 2371

By Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care

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1 AN ACT concerning the Kansas department for children and families;  
2 relating to the revised Kansas code for care of children; limiting the  
3 number of cases of children in need of care assigned to case managers.  
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. (a) The secretary for children and families shall ensure that  
7 case managers are assigned a number of cases of children alleged or found  
8 to be a children in need of care pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2201 et seq., and  
9 amendments thereto, that support the achievement of positive outcomes  
10 for families.

11 (b) Except when there are temporary staffing vacancies or there is a  
12 need to ensure the same case manager is assigned to a sibling group, the  
13 number of cases assigned to case managers for children in an out-of-home  
14 placement pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2201 et seq., and amendments thereto,  
15 shall not exceed 18 children in an out-of-home placement.

16 (c) A case manager shall not be assigned independent caseloads until  
17 such case manager has completed training required by the secretary.

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