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Neutral Testimony Requesting a Procedural Amendment to HB 2568 Chris Mechler

It is likely that passage of HB 2568 would result in a significant amount of additional time spent by court services officers and judges on cases that require offender registration. Section 3 of the bill, in particular, would require the court to complete the registration form at the time of conviction or adjudication. The registration is a detailed form that requires a significant amount of additional judge time to fill out.

Completing the registration form is a current obligation of the court that would not change under the terms of this bill. It is the timing as to when the form must be completed, however, that would change under the terms of this bill and which would cause additional expenditures of judge and court services officer (CSO) time. Under current law, the registration form is filled out at the time of sentencing or disposition. The sentencing or disposition is an event that is set for a specified date and time, and a court services officer would be present either in court or immediately after sentencing or disposition to ensure that the registration form is completed.

Unlike the time of a sentencing or disposition, the date and time of a conviction or adjudication may not be firmly fixed. A criminal defendant may enter a plea prior to or during trial, and the court would accept that plea, resulting in a previously unscheduled conviction or adjudication. Under the terms of HB 2568, the judge would have to immediately complete the registration form or call for a CSO to do so. In some multi-county districts, the CSO may not even be present in the county, because the CSO may be required to meet with probationers or attend court in another county in the district. Moreover, the offender will not have met with a CSO, and probably will not have available all of the information required on the registration form.

The attached balloon amendment would allow the court to collect the information critical to law enforcement and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation so that they can locate the offender if the offender does not report as directed, but it would lessen the time obligation imposed on the court. While the court would still incur some additional expenditure of time under the terms of this amendment, it is believed that the balloon language would provide a satisfactory compromise.

We ask that you favorably consider the balloon amendment. Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today. I would be happy to stand for questions.

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- (2) Aggravated violation of the Kansas offender registration act is a severity level 3, person felony.
 - (d) Prosecution of violations of this section may be held:
 - (1) In any county in which the offender resides;
- (2) in any county in which the offender is required to be registered under the Kansas offender registration act;
- (3) in any county in which the offender is located during which time the offender is not in compliance with the Kansas offender registration act; or
- (4) in the county in which any conviction or adjudication occurred for which the offender is required to be registered under the Kansas offender registration act.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 22-4904 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22-4904.
- (a) At the time of sentencing or disposition conviction or adjudication for an offense requiring registration as provided in K.S.A. 22-4902, and amendments thereto, the court shall:
- (1) Inform any offender, on the record, of the procedure to register and the requirements of K.S.A. 22-4905, and amendments thereto;

–<u>and</u>

- (2) if the offender is released on probation, receiving a suspended sentence, sentenced to community corrections or released on postrelease supervision:
- (A) (2) Complete the initial registration form with all information and updated information required for registration as provided in K.S.A. 22-4907, and amendments thereto;
- (B) (3) require the offender to read and sign the registration form, which shall include a statement that the requirements provided in this subsection have been explained to the offender; and
- (4)—provide one copy of the form to the offender and, within three business days, send a copy of the form to the law enforcement agency having initial jurisdiction and to the Kansas bureau of investigation;
- (C) (5) order the offender to report within three business days to the registering law enforcement agency in the county or tribal land of conviction or adjudication and to the registering law enforcement agency in any place where the offender resides, maintains employment or attends school, to complete the registration form with all information and any updated information required for registration as provided in K.S.A. 22-4907, and amendments thereto; and
- (3) if the offender is to remain in custody until sentencing, direct the correctional facility to complete the initial registration form within three business days for submission to the Kansas bureau of investigation, as set forth in subsection (b); and

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(4) (6) ensure the age of the victim is documented in the journal entry of conviction or adjudication.

- (b) The staff of any correctional facility or the registering law enforcement agency's designee shall:
- (1) At the time of initial custody, register any offender within three business days:
- (A) Inform the offender of the procedure for registration and of the offender's registration requirements as provided in K.S.A. 22-4905, and amendments thereto;
- (B) complete the registration form with all information and updated information required for registration as provided in K.S.A. 22-4907, and amendments thereto:
- (C) require the offender to read and sign the registration form, which shall include a statement that the requirements provided in this subsection have been explained to the offender;
- (D) provide one copy of the form to the offender and, within three business days, send a copy of the form to the Kansas bureau of investigation; and
- (E) enter all offender information required by the national crime information center into the national sex offender registry system within three business days of completing the registration;
- (1) (2) notify the Kansas bureau of investigation of the incarceration of any offender and of the location or any change in location of the offender while in custody;
- (2) (3) prior to any offender being discharged, paroled, furloughed or released on work or school release from a correctional facility, or otherwise released from incarceration:
- (A) Inform the offender of the procedure for registration and of the offender's registration requirements as provided in K.S.A. 22-4905, and amendments thereto:
- (B) complete the registration form with all information and updated information required for registration as provided in K.S.A. 22-4907, and amendments thereto; and
- (C) require the offender to read and sign the registration form, which shall include a statement that the requirements provided in this subsection have been explained to the offender;
 - (3) (D) photograph the offender's face and any identifying marks:
 - (E) obtain fingerprint and palm prints of the offender; and
- (4) (F) provide one copy of the form to the offender and, within three business days, send a copy of the form and of the photograph or photographs to the law enforcement agency having initial jurisdiction and to the Kansas bureau of investigation; and
 - (5) (4) notify the law enforcement agency having initial jurisdiction

and the Kansas bureau of investigation seven business days prior to any offender being discharged, paroled, furloughed or released on work or school release; and

- (6) enter all offender information required by the national crime information center into the national sex offender registry system.
 - (c) The staff of any treatment facility shall:
- (1) Within three business days of an offender's arrival for inpatient treatment, inform the registering law enforcement agency of the county or location of jurisdiction in which the treatment facility is located of the offender's presence at the treatment facility and the expected duration of the treatment, and immediately notify the registering law enforcement agency of an unauthorized or unexpected absence of the offender during the offender's treatment;
- (2) inform the registering law enforcement agency of the county or location of jurisdiction in which the treatment facility is located within three business days of an offender's discharge or release; and
- (2) (3) provide information upon request to any registering law enforcement agency having jurisdiction relevant to determining the presence of an offender within the treatment facility; and
- (3) prior to any offender receiving court ordered treatment being-discharged or otherwise released:
- (A) Inform the offender of the procedure for registration and the offender's registration requirements, as provided in K.S.A. 22-4905, and amendments thereto:
- (B) obtain the information required for registration as provided in K.S.A. 22-4907, and amendments thereto; and
- (C) require the offender to read and sign the registration form which shall include a statement that the requirements provided in this subsection have been explained to the offender.
- (d) The registering law enforcement agency, upon the reporting of any offender, shall:
- (1) Inform the offender of the duty to register as provided by the Kansas offender registration act;
- 34 (2) (A) explain the procedure for registration and the offender's 35 registration requirements as provided in K.S.A. 22-4905, and amendments 36 thereto;
 - (B) obtain the information required for registration as provided in K.S.A. 22-4907, and amendments thereto; and
 - (C) require the offender to read and sign the registration form, which shall include a statement that the requirements provided in this subsection have been explained to the offender;
- 42 (3) complete the registration form with all information and updated 43 information required for registration, as provided in K.S.A. 22-4907, and

- (3) If the offender is released, the court shall:
 - (a) complete a notice of duty to register. The notice shall include title and statute number of conviction or adjudication, date of conviction or adjudication, case number, county of conviction or adjudication, and the following offender information: name, address, date of birth, social security number, race, ethnicity and gender;
 - (b) require the offender to read and sign the notice of duty to register, which shall include a statement that the requirements provided in this subsection have been explained to the offender;
 - (c) order the offender to report within three business days to the registering law enforcement agency in the county or tribal land of conviction or adjudication and to the registering law enforcement agency in any place where the offender resides, maintains employment or attends school, to complete the registration form with all information and any updated information required for registration as provided in K.S.A. 22-4907, and amendments thereto;
 - (d) provide one copy of the notice of duty to register to the offender and, within three business days, send a copy of the form to the law enforcement agency having initial jurisdiction and to the Kansas bureau of investigation.

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