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HOUSE BILL No. 2275

By Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

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AN ACT concerning the department of corrections; relating to parole and
postrelease supervision; requiring the department to develop guidelines
to address parole violations; amending K.S.A. 75-5216 and repealing
the existing section.

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

7 K.S.A. 75-5216 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-Section 1. 8 5216. (a) Parole officers shall investigate all persons referred to them for 9 investigation by the secretary of corrections. Parole officers shall furnish 10 to each person released under their supervision a written statement of the 11 conditions of parole or postrelease supervision and shall give instructions 12 regarding these conditions. Parole officers shall keep informed of the 13 conduct and condition of a parolee or inmate on postrelease supervision 14 and use all suitable methods to aid, encourage and bring about improvement in the conduct and condition of such parolee or inmate-or on 15 16 postrelease supervision. Parole officers shall keep detailed records of their work and shall make such reports in writing and perform such other duties 17 as may be incidental to those above enumerated or as the secretary may 18 19 require. Parole officers shall coordinate their work with that of social 20 welfare agencies.

(b) The secretary of corrections shall develop guidance for use by parole officers that includes intervention responses to behavior that would constitute a violation of parole or postrelease supervision and incentive responses to compliant behavior and pro-social achievements. Parole officers shall use such guidance developed by the secretary while supervising offenders on parole or postrelease supervision.

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Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-5216 is hereby repealed.

28 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 29 publication in the statute book.