

HOUSE BILL No. 2361

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT creating the central payment center advisory commission; relating to the duties thereof.

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

Section 1. (a) There is hereby created the central payment center advisory commission.

(b) Commission members shall include:

(1) A district court judge whose jurisdiction includes domestic relations;

(2) a county or district attorney or court trustee who works in child support enforcement;

(3) a district court clerk;

(4) a child support worker;

(5) a member of the legislature;

(6) an employer, with more than 75 employees, who provides income withholding;

(7) an employer, with less than 25 employees, who provides income withholding;

(8) a custodial parent who has a court order to receive child support;

(9) a noncustodial parent who is under a support order to pay child support;

(10) a representative appointed by the governor;

(11) the vendor operating the central unit for the collection and disbursement of support payments, pursuant to subsection (m) of section 20 of chapter 183 of the 2000 session laws of Kansas or the vendor's designee as an ex officio member; and

(12) the director of the title IV-D division or the director's designee as an ex officio member.

(c) The legislative coordinating council shall appoint the members of the commission under subsections (b)(1) through (b)(9).

(d) The initial members of the commission shall be appointed no later than July 1, 2001. Members shall serve terms of two years, except that the initial terms of members under subsections (b)(5) through (b)(9) shall be one year to provide for staggered terms for commission members. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments

1 and for the remainder of the unexpired term. Members whose terms have
2 expired shall continue to serve until their successors have been appointed.
3 The commission shall select a chairperson, annually, from its member-
4 ship. A chairperson may serve more than one year.

5 (e) The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson as author-
6 ized by the legislative coordinating council.

7 (f) The staff of the legislative research department, the office of the
8 revisor of statutes and the division of legislative administrative services
9 shall provide such assistance as may be requested by the commission and
10 to the extent authorized by the legislative coordinating council.

11 (g) Members of the commission attending meetings of the commit-
12 tee, or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof authorized by the leg-
13 islative coordinating council, shall be paid compensation, travel expenses
14 and subsistence expenses or allowances as provided in K.S.A. 75-3212
15 and amendments thereto.

16 (h) The central payment center advisory commission shall:

17 (1) Recommend to the department of social and rehabilitation serv-
18 ices, if appropriate, ways to improve or enhance the effectiveness of the
19 central unit for the collection and disbursement of support payments;

20 (2) recommend performance indicators for the central unit;

21 (3) recommend legislation which would clarify and improve state law
22 regarding support for children as it relates to the central unit; and

23 (4) present an annual report of its activities and recommendations to
24 the legislative coordinating council by February 1.

25 (i) The provisions of this section shall expire on July 1, 2005.

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

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