

## HOUSE BILL No. 2852

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning interpreters; relating to witnesses in criminal proceedings; amending K.S.A. 75-4351 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 75-4351 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-4351. A qualified interpreter shall be appointed in the following cases for persons whose primary language is one other than English, or who is a deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired person: (a) In any grand jury proceeding, when such person is called as a witness;

(b) in any court proceeding involving such person and such proceeding may result in the confinement of such person or the imposition of a penal sanction against such person *or a person is a witness in such court proceeding*;

(c) in any civil proceeding, whether such person is the plaintiff, defendant or witness in such action;

(d) in any proceeding before a board, commission, agency, or licensing authority of the state or any of its political subdivisions, when such person is the principal party in interest;

(e) prior to any attempt to interrogate or take a statement from a person who is arrested for an alleged violation of a criminal law of the state or any city ordinance.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-4351 is hereby repealed.

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