

HOUSE BILL No. 2230

AN ACT concerning the department of corrections; relating to program agreements between the secretary and inmates; amending K.S.A. 75-5210a and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 75-5210a is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-5210a. (a) Within a reasonable time after a defendant is committed to the custody of the secretary of corrections, *for service of a sentence for an indeterminate or off grid crime*, the secretary shall enter into a written agreement with the inmate specifying those educational, vocational, mental health or other programs which the secretary determines the inmate must satisfactorily complete in order to be prepared for release on parole ~~or postrelease supervision~~. To the extent practicable, the agreement shall require the inmate to have made progress towards or to have successfully completed the equivalent of a secondary education before release on parole if the inmate has not previously completed such educational equivalent and is capable of doing so. The agreement shall be conditioned on the inmate's satisfactory conduct, employment and attitude while incarcerated. If the secretary determines that the inmate's conduct, employment, attitude or needs require modifications or additions to those programs which are set forth in the agreement, the secretary shall revise the requirements. The secretary shall agree that, when the inmate satisfactorily completes the programs required by the agreement, or any revision thereof, the secretary shall report that fact in writing to the Kansas parole board. If the inmate becomes eligible for parole ~~or entitled to postrelease supervision~~ before satisfactorily completing such programs, the secretary shall report in writing to the Kansas parole board the programs which are not completed. ~~Failure to complete the required programs shall not impact the postrelease supervision date of the inmate. However, the parole board may impose conditions relating to completion of these program elements or other conditions that must be followed during the specified period of postrelease supervision.~~

(b) A copy of any agreement and any revisions thereof shall be entered into the inmate's record.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-5210a is hereby repealed.

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

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and passed that body

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Passed the SENATE _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

APPROVED _____

Governor.