HOUSE BILL No. 2007

By Representatives Dove, Bradford, Campbell, Clayton and Rooker

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AN ACT concerning law enforcement; creating a law enforcement mutual aid region for critical incidents.

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

Section 1. (a) As used in this section:

- (1) "Critical incident" means an incident that could result in serious physical injury or loss of life.
- (2) "Law enforcement mutual aid region" means the Kansas border counties of Johnson, Leavenworth, Miami and Wyandotte and the Missouri border counties of Platte, Clay, Ray, Jackson and Cass.
- (b) All law enforcement officers in the law enforcement mutual aid region shall be permitted in critical incidents to respond to lawful requests for aid in any other jurisdiction in the law enforcement mutual aid region.
- (c) The on-scene incident commander, as defined by the national incident management system, shall have the authority to make a request for assistance in a critical incident and shall be responsible for on-scene management until command authority is transferred to another person.
- (d) If a law enforcement officer makes an arrest or apprehension outside such officer's home state, the offender shall be delivered to the first law enforcement officer who is commissioned in the jurisdiction in which the arrest was made.
- (e) For the purposes of liability, all members of any political subdivision or public safety agency responding under operational control of the requesting political subdivision or public safety agency are deemed employees of such responding political subdivision or public safety agency and are subject to the liability and workers' compensation provisions provided to them as employees of their respective political subdivision or public safety agency. Qualified immunity, sovereign immunity, official immunity and the public duty rule shall apply to the provisions of this section as interpreted by the federal and state courts of the responding agency.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.