

**SENATE BILL No. 503**

By Committee on Ways and Means

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1 AN ACT concerning the department of corrections; relating to community  
2 corrections; court services.

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

5 Section 1. (a) The secretary of corrections shall promulgate rules and  
6 regulations establishing a program to incentivize judicial districts to unify  
7 community corrections and court services to provide the services through  
8 one agency, reducing long-term administrative costs. Such program may  
9 include providing grants to judicial districts, subject to appropriations, to  
10 encourage unification.

11 (b) The secretary of corrections shall develop a plan for the  
12 permanent unification of community corrections and court services. The  
13 secretary shall report such plan to the legislature at the beginning of the  
14 2017 regular session.

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