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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE CORRECTIONS & JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ward Loyd at 1:30 P.M. on January 26, 2005 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Kathe Decker- excused
Mike Peterson- excused

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes Office
Diana Lee, Revisor of Statutes Office
Jerry Ann Donaldson, Kansas Legislative Research
Becky Krahl, Kansas Legislative Research
Reagan Cussimano, Kansas Legislative Research
Connie Burns, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Commissioner Denise Everhart, JJA
Patti Biggs, Executive Director KS Sentencing Commission
Roger Haden, KDOC
Kevin Graham, Attorney General
Tim Madden, KDOC
Dan Hermes, KS Ignition Interlock Association
Kyle Smith, KBI

Others attending:

See attached list.

Tim Madden, Kansas Department of Corrections, appeared before the committee to request a bill introduction on reconciliation of unclaimed inmate property. (Attachment 1)

Representative Owens made a motion that these requests should be introduced as a committee bills. Representative Swenson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kyle Smith, KBI, appeared before the committee to request two bill introductions.

1. Legislation that would set a minimum firearms qualification course for Kansas peace officers and allow retired law enforcement officers to carry firearms through implementing recent federal legislation. (Attachment 2)

Representative Pauls made a motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Representative Kelsey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. Legislation that would update our offender registration law, KSA 22-4906. (Attachment 3)

Representative Swenson made a motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Representative Huntington seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kevin Graham, Office of the Attorney General's office, appeared before the committee to request bill introductions. (Attachment 4)

1. Amend Kansas law regarding the search a law enforcement officer may conduct. Changing "the" to "a".
2. The Attorney General may utilize the Assistant Attorney General under his leadership to and authority to conduct the required functions of the office.
3. No longer require the Attorney General to produce an annual index of the opinions of the Attorney General (Available on line)
4. Limit the automatic renewal of contracts to a period no greater that three years under the Kansas Consumer Protection Act.
5. Create a new criminal statute specifically addressing the issue of "Obstruction of a Medicaid Fraud Investigation.

6. Allow for the forfeiture of proceeds of crimes of Medicaid fraud under the Kansas Standard Asset Seizure and Forfeiture Act.

Representative Kelsey made a motion that these requests should be introduced as a committee bills. Representative Horst seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dan Hermes, Kansas Ignition Interlock Association, requested a bill introduction that would proof of registration or remain under suspension.

Representative Yoder made a motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Representative Owens seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Representative Huntington requested a bill introduction on truancy.

Representative Huntington made a motion that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Representative Horst seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Denise Everhart appeared before the committee to request two bill introductions.

1. Chapter 38-1671 – time lines
2. Clean up included in Chapter 10 and Chapter 65.

Representative Crow made a motion that these requests should be introduced as a committee bills. Representative Owens seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Denise Everhart, Commissioner of Juvenile Justice Authority (JJA), provided the committee an overview and the mission of the Juvenile Justice. (Attachment 5) The mission of the JJA is to “Promote public safety by holding juvenile offenders accountable for their behavior, and improve the ability of youth to live productively and responsibly in their communities.”

The Commissioner provided budget allocation, prevention and community programs, judicial districts, adit to locals and other assistance from FY 2000 - FY 2004, Juvenile Intake and Assessment Statistics for all districts, Core Program expenditures, Intervention Program expenditures, Prevention Program expenditures, and other funded and grant information.

Information was provided on Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators and government awards.

Patti Biggs, Executive Director, Kansas Sentencing Commission, addressed the Juvenile Correctional Facility Population Projections. (Attachment 6) Information on population was provided by facility, admission, age, gender, trends, and projections

Roger Haden, Deputy Secretary of Programs, Research & support, KDOC, updated the committee on the Inmate Healthcare Contract. (Attachment 7) The healthcare contract was awarded July 1, 2005 to Correct Care Solutions (CCS) and is a no risk full comprehensive contract. Major difference from current contract:

- New contract provides for an initial 3-year term with up to three two-year extensions, with mutual agreement of both parties, pricing calls for a firm, fixed pricing for the initial term and firm projections for the extension periods.
- Provisions for performance indicators with penalty clauses and adjusted staffing and services to meet identified gaps in current services.
- Extended pharmaceutical pricing-CCS and Diamond Pharmaceuticals have agreed to extend discount pricing to all Kansas governmental agencies.

Major cost drivers;

- Staffing
- Pharmaceuticals
- Off-site; Hospitalization and Specialty Services
- Population Increases
- Greater acuity of offender medical/mental health conditions
- Shifts in Treatment, e.g. communicable diseases, HIV, Hepatitis C

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 pm. The next meeting is February 1, 2005.

