

## **Current Statute on Abuse of a Child**

**21-5602. Abuse of a child. (a) Abuse of a child is knowingly:**

- (1) Torturing or cruelly beating any child under the age of 18 years;**
- (2) shaking any child under the age of 18 years which results in great bodily harm to the child; or**
- (3) inflicting cruel and inhuman corporal punishment upon any child under the age of 18 years.**

**(b) Abuse of a child is a severity level 5, person felony.**

**(c) A person who violates the provisions of this section may also be prosecuted for, convicted of, and punished for any form of battery or homicide.**

**History:** L. 2010, ch. 136, § 79; L. 2011, ch. 30, § 285; July 1.

## **Current Statute on Involuntary Manslaughter**

**21-5405. Involuntary manslaughter. (a) Involuntary manslaughter is the killing of a human being committed:**

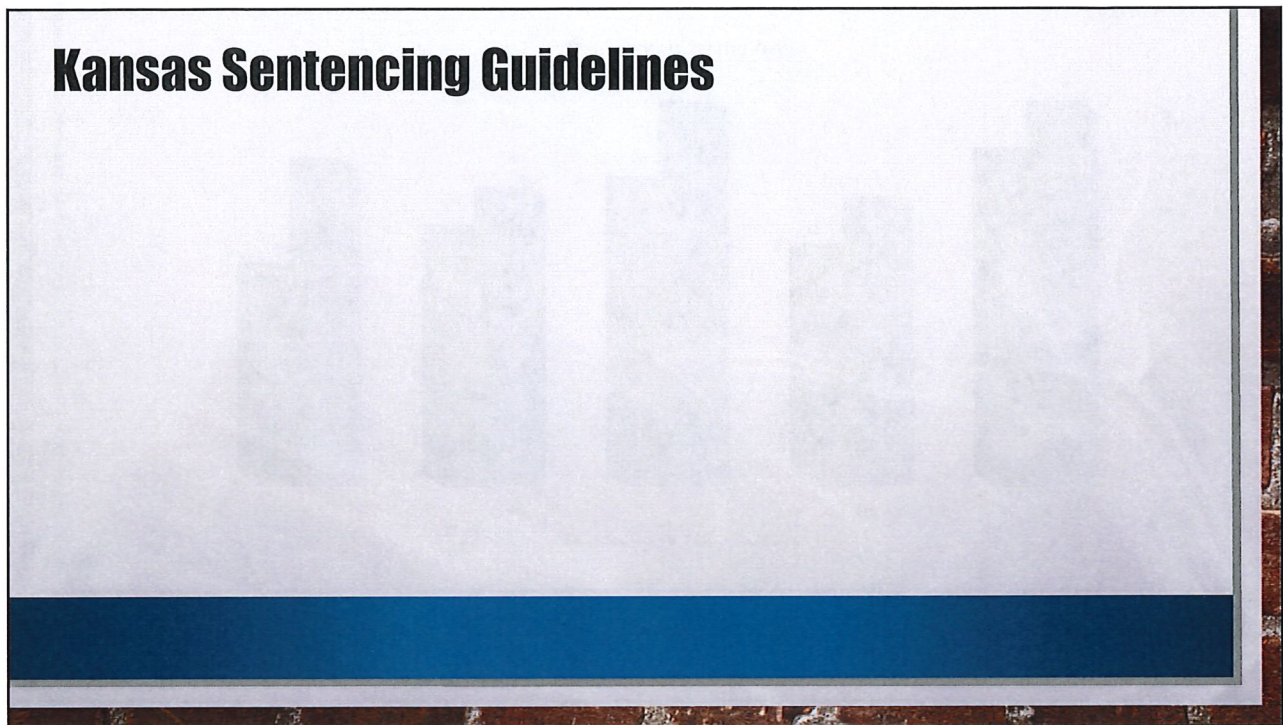
- (1) Recklessly;**
- (2) in the commission of, or attempt to commit, or flight from any felony, other than an inherently dangerous felony as defined in K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 21-5402, and amendments thereto, that is enacted for the protection of human life or safety or a misdemeanor that is enacted for the protection of human life or safety, including acts described in K.S.A. 8-1566 and subsection (a) of 8-1568, and amendments thereto, but excluding the acts described in K.S.A. 8-1567, and amendments thereto;**
- (3) in the commission of, or attempt to commit, or flight from an act described in K.S.A. 8-1567, and amendments thereto; or**
- (4) during the commission of a lawful act in an unlawful manner.**

**(b) Involuntary manslaughter as defined in:**

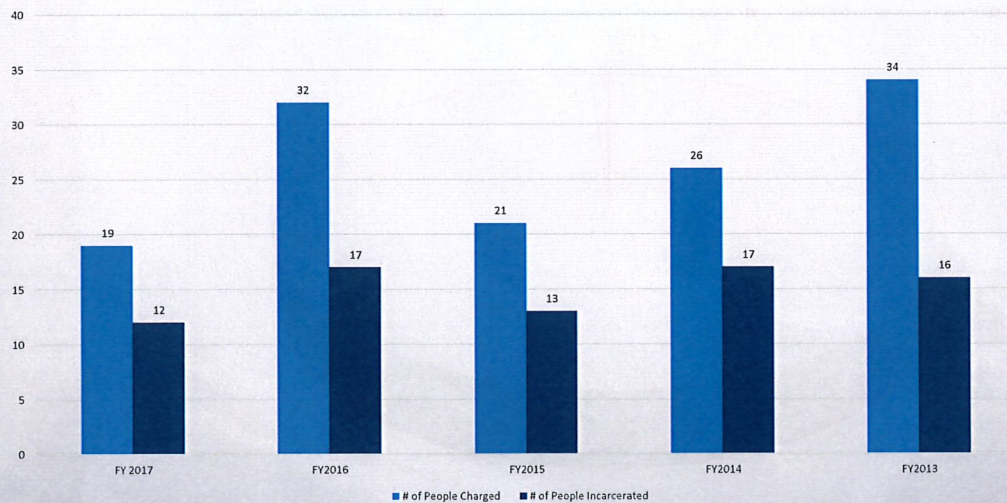
- (1) Subsection (a)(1), (a)(2) or (a)(4) is a severity level 5, person felony; and**
- (2) subsection (a)(3) is a severity level 4, person felony.**

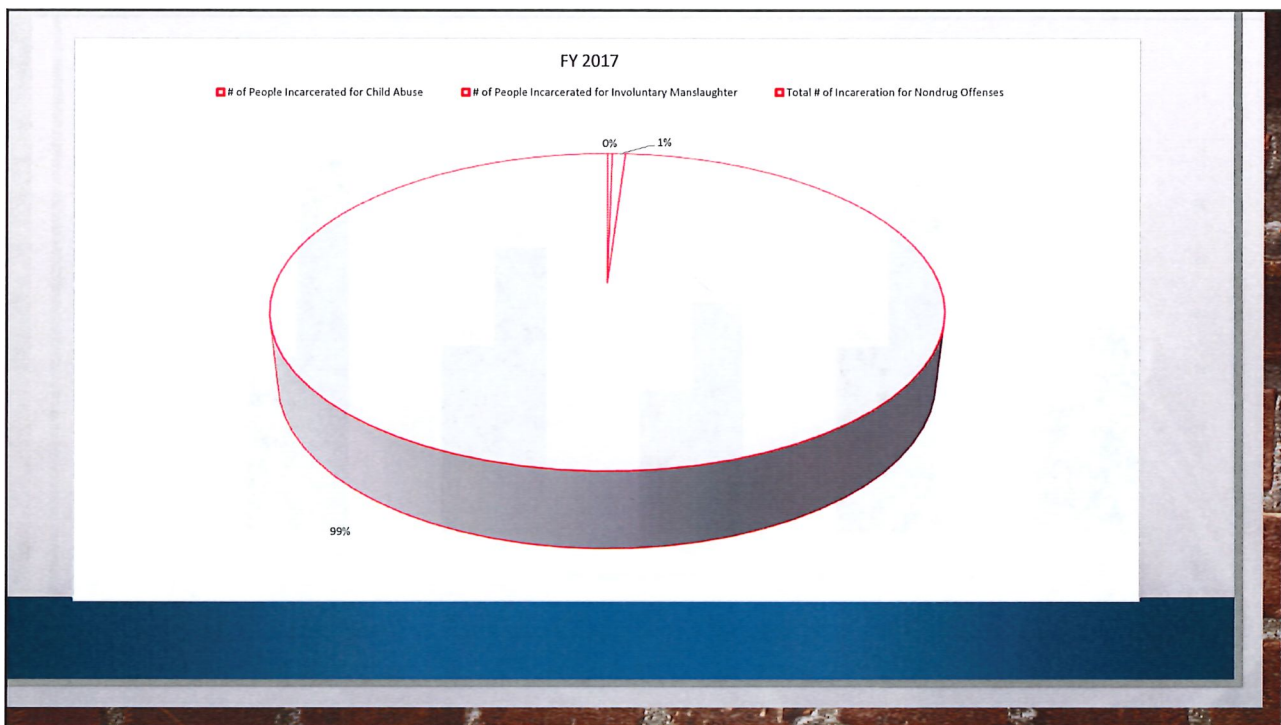
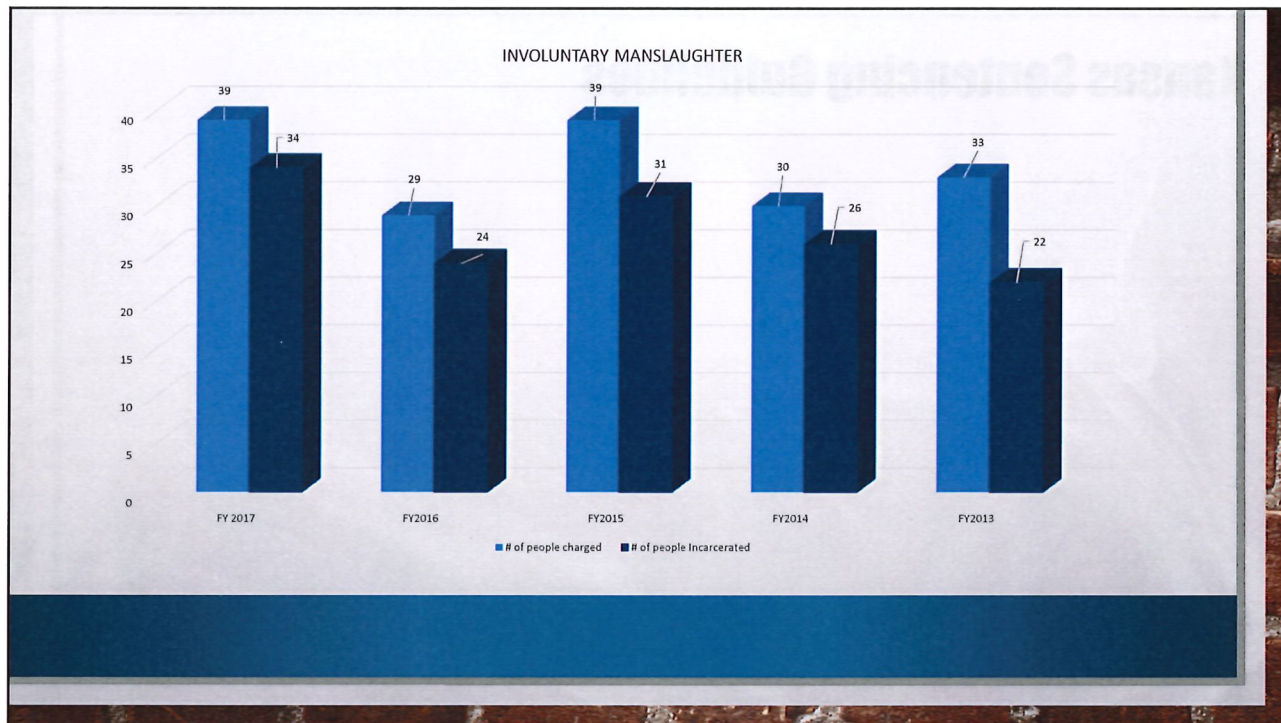
**History:** L. 2010, ch. 136, § 40; July 1, 2011.

# Kansas Sentencing Guidelines



## ABUSE OF A CHILD







**Maximum:  
34 months  
Minimum:  
Probation**

**Thank You**

