

**75-7002. Same; transfer of powers, duties and functions from SRS; successor thereto; rules and regulations; title to property.** On and after July 1, 1997:

(a) Except as otherwise provided by this act, all of the powers, duties and functions of the department of social and rehabilitation services and the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services concerning juvenile offenders are hereby transferred to and conferred and imposed upon the juvenile justice authority and the commissioner of juvenile justice established by this act.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by this act, the juvenile justice authority and the commissioner of juvenile justice established by this act shall be the successor in every way to the powers, duties and functions of the department of social and rehabilitation services and the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services concerning juvenile offenders in which the same were vested prior to the effective date of this section. Every act performed in the exercise of such powers, duties and functions by or under the authority of the juvenile justice authority or the commissioner of juvenile justice concerning juvenile offenders established by this act shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as if performed by the department of social and rehabilitation services or the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services, respectively, in which such powers, duties and functions were vested prior to the effective date of this section.

(c) Except as otherwise provided by this act, whenever the department of social and rehabilitation services, or words of like effect concerning juvenile offenders, is referred to or designated by a statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the juvenile justice authority established by this act.

(d) Except as otherwise provided by this act, whenever the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services, or words of like effect concerning juvenile offenders, is referred to or designated by a statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the commissioner of juvenile justice established by this act.

(e) All rules and regulations of the department of social and rehabilitation services or the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services concerning juvenile offenders in existence on the effective date of this section shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be duly adopted rules and regulations of the commissioner of juvenile justice established by this act until revised, amended, revoked or nullified pursuant to law.

(f) All orders and directives of the department of social and rehabilitation services or the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services concerning juvenile offenders in existence on the effective date of this section shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be orders and directives of the juvenile justice authority established by this act until revised, amended or nullified pursuant to law.

(g) On the effective date of this section, the juvenile justice authority established by this act shall succeed to whatever right, title or interest the department of social and rehabilitation services has acquired in any real property in this state concerning juvenile offenders, and the authority shall hold the same for and in the name of the state of Kansas. On and after the effective date of this section, whenever any statute, contract, deed or other document concerns the power or authority of the department of social and rehabilitation services or the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services concerning juvenile offenders to acquire, hold or dispose of real property or any interest therein, the juvenile justice authority as established by this act shall succeed to such power or authority.

(h) The juvenile justice authority and the commissioner of juvenile justice established by this act shall be continuations of the department of social and rehabilitation services and the secretary of the department of social and rehabilitation services concerning juvenile offenders.

**History:** L. 1995, ch. 259, § 5; L. 1996, ch. 54, § 1; July 1.