

39-1432. Same; immunity from liability of certain persons; employer prohibited from imposing sanctions on employee making report; attorney fees awarded, when. (a) Anyone participating in the making of any report pursuant to this act, or in any follow-up activity to the report, including providing records upon request of the Kansas department for children and families, or investigation of such report or who testifies in any administrative or judicial proceeding arising from such report shall not be subject to any civil liability on account of such report, investigation or testimony, unless such person acted in bad faith or with malicious purpose.

(b) No employer shall terminate the employment of, prevent or impair the practice or occupation of or impose any other sanction on any employee solely for the reason that such employee made or caused to be made a report, or cooperated with an investigation, under this act. A court, in addition to other damages and remedies, may assess reasonable attorney fees against an employer who has been found to have violated the provisions of this subsection.

History: L. 1989, ch. 129, § 3; L. 2003, ch. 91, § 13; L. 2004, ch. 153, § 1; L. 2014, ch. 115, § 169; July 1.