HOUSE BILL No. 2094

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning children and minors; relating to children with problem sexual behavior; Kansas department for children and families; voluntary services.

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

Section 1. (a) (1) In addition to any services required under K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 38-2201 et seq., and amendments thereto, after the department for children and families receives a report of child abuse or neglect where the subject of the report is a child with problem sexual behavior and the department determines that a joint investigation with law enforcement is required in accordance with K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 38-2226, and amendments thereto, the department shall immediately offer counseling and, as needed, additional services to:

- (A) The child with problem sexual behavior; and
- (B) such child's family.
- (2) Such services shall be voluntary, unless the department determines there will be a high risk of future sexual abuse by the child with problem sexual behavior if such child or such child's family refuses to accept the services. The department shall thoroughly document:
 - (A) Offers by the department to provide voluntary services;
- (B) the reasons these services are important to reduce the risk of future sexual abuse by the child;
 - (C) whether services were accepted and provided; and
 - (D) the outcome for the child and family.
 - (b) As used in this section, "child with problem sexual behavior" means a person less than 18 years of age who has allegedly committed sexual abuse against another person less than 18 years of age.
- (c) Nothing in this section shall prohibit any other investigation or action by the department or law enforcement that is otherwise authorized by law.
- (d) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the revised Kansas code for care of children, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 38-2201 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.