SENATE BILL No. 157

By Senators Hilderbrand, Alley, Berger, Doll, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Goddard, Haley, Holland, Longbine, Olson, Petersen, Skubal, Suellentrop, Taylor, Wagle and Wilborn

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AN ACT concerning family law; relating to temporary parenting plans; amending K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 23-3212 and repealing the existing section

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 23-3212 is hereby amended to read as follows: 23-3212. (a) The court may enter a temporary parenting plan in any case in which temporary orders relating to child custody is authorized.

- (b) If the court deems it appropriate, a temporary parenting plan approved by the court may include one or more of the following provisions regarding children involved in the matter before the court:
 - (1) Designation of the temporary legal custody of the child;
 - (2) designation of a temporary residence for the child;
- (3) allocation of parental rights and responsibilities regarding matters pertaining to the child's health, education and welfare; *and*
 - (4) a schedule for the child's time with each parent, when appropriate.
- (c) In making an order for a temporary parenting plan, there shall be a presumption that it is in the best interests of the child for fit, willing and able parents to have temporary joint custody and share equally in parenting time.
- (d) A parent seeking a temporary order in which matters of child custody, residency, or parenting time are included shall file a proposed temporary parenting plan contemporaneous with any request for issuance of such temporary orders, which plan shall be served with any such temporary orders.
- $\frac{\text{(d)}(e)}{\text{(d)}(e)}$ If the parent who has not filed a proposed temporary parenting plan disputes the allocation of parenting responsibilities, residency, parenting time or other matters included in the proposed temporary parenting plan, that parent shall file and serve a responsive proposed temporary parenting plan.
- (e)(f) Either parent may move to have a proposed temporary parenting plan entered as part of a temporary order. The parents may enter an agreed temporary parenting plan at any time as part of a temporary order.

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6 7 $\frac{(f)}{(g)}$ A parent may move for amendment of a temporary parenting plan, and the court may order amendment to the temporary parenting plan, if the amendment is in the best interest of the child.

- $\frac{(g)}{h}$ If a proceeding for divorce, separate maintenance, annulment or determination of parentage is dismissed, any temporary parenting plan is vacated.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 23-3212 is hereby repealed.
- 8 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.