

## Kansas HB No. 2233 -- The Protective Parent Act

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The original Protective Parent Act was drafted and passed into law in 2004 by Richard Ducote in Louisiana because of the mandatory shared parenting and joint custody laws were like everything else failing victims of violence battered women and abused children.

When battered women file for divorce they jump out of the frying pan and into the fire. Today it is worst than it ever has been and as a result we are seeing more murders of children by their fathers to punish the mother for leaving. Let's be clear. Domestic Violence IS A GENDER ISSUE. There is nothing equal about it.

To understand how batterers use the system against their victim's one must understand the pattern of coercive control, entitlement and societal beliefs associated with what has so loosely been termed as domestic violence, family violence, interpersonal violence, IPV and other low level crime, if crime at all, of what should be termed as it truly is. Domestic terrorism and a stripping of autonomy like that of the prisoner of war and or indentured servitude 'a human rights issue.'

One would think that common sense would prevail. that abused mothers and children would be protected but because of redundant laws already passed stating that 'mother is no longer presumed to be the fit parent' regardless of the fact that mother is *usually the primary attachment and primary caregiver*, that a bias by that amendment alone in the Statute has created a more *bias against mother* and given the courts and court profiteers the preference of the the father being given child custody. Don't believe me? Access the resources and footnotes below.

1st Mother is the natural guardian of her children. God and Mother Nature made her this way. Every other on animal on the planet 'gets' this except for the human animal.

- It is a MYTH that women lie about abuse only 2% of reported cases have been shown to be false and then it was not intentional but a misunderstanding.
- It is a FACT that Fathers are 16 times more likely to lie than are mothers.
- It is a FACT that Batterers are more likely to fight for child Custody than non batterers.

2. The best interest of children is to remain with their primary caregiver.  
3. That those who have history of coercive control or of battering the mother of their children are at 80% higher increase to abuse their children - than those who do not batterer.

- Being gender neutral in child custody when parents file for divorce is being gender biased. Not all things are equal. Consequently mother is already being thrown under the bus.

No matter how you try to spin it for others -- en re: personal ...for the abusers, continued control over his victims and the financial gain agendas of abuse for profit by gals, case managers custody evaluators, access visitation, supervised visit staff and facilities. These so called do gooders of soft science non fact ideas and philosophy have created their own profession where none needs to be- as so called Experts who are depended upon entirely by the judiciary in juvenile and family courts.

The quasi 'family' profiteers of Family/Juvenile Court **cover up crimes against children and their mothers by adjudicating them in family courts and not in criminal courts where they belong.**

Domestic violence, better known as coercive control the basic stats as follow:

- 1:4 women have been will be or are being beaten by their intimate partners.
- 1:9 children are sexually abused by age 15.
- 1:5 high school girls report being abused by bf b4 graduation or age 18.
- 1:4 women --- Then calculate how many of those 1:4 women have children. 5:6 of those 5:6 whoever report or even try to leave 1.
- Of those 1. They find when they do mistakenly think that they have the human right to be free from torture and to protect their children after all society spends billions saying so. But in fact and reality, she will not be vindicated but severely punished for even reporting the abuse.
- Batterers are 70% more likely to seek and win child custody than those who do not batter the mothers of their children.
- As a national expert on battered mothers losing abusers custody to abusers for the past 18 years I and others nationally urge all victim's to never never report abuse if they ever want to be free of violence.
- What's really in the Best Interest of the Child is to protect them and their mothers from abuse Lundy Bancroft Batterer as parent
- Research shows that children who witness domestic violence their ability to overcome the trauma is dependent upon their relationship with their mothers.
- There is absolutely no evidence that shows that children suffer long term effects when abuse is mistakenly reported contrary of the well documented research of not believing the victims. And worst further punishing the victims by separating them from their loving mother.

- Primary attachment Figure is usually the mother. Research shows severe trauma when the bond between the primary attachment figure and child is viciously severed.
- It is a MYTH that mothers lie about abuse to gain upper hand in custody cases.
- Abusive fathers are 16 times more likely to lie than non abusive fathers
- Leadership Council conservatively estimates that over 58 thousand children are forced into contact with abusers while the courts sever contact with the non abusive parent and child. That's over one thousand children a week.
- The American District Attorney Association – Showing that 'alienation' and other pseudo psych spins of the same is a defense used in criminal court by pedophiles. Is now used widely in Family Courts for the purpose of gaining child custody by the perp.
- The Family and Juvenile Court Judges Association
- Research shows that children's witness domestic violence recovery dependent upon their bond with their mothers
- Research shows that for Batterers -- Taking a Mothers Children is the next best thing to killing her children.
- Batterers take custody of the Children to Punish the Mothers for leaving.

The current rule of thumb is as follows: *'Mother's who disclose abuse will be punished severely by the judicial therapeutic jurisprudence court whores who profit by continuing the abuse.* "This is not some 3rd world country. This is the USA. This is Kansas, this is Shawnee County, and this is Topeka. This is the great 'human experiment' that has failed miserably - hurting and killing children and their mothers.

Locally - as just one example.

Odyssey has family pedophile reintegration with victim program. Stating - 'that there is less recidivism in their programs.' Yeah. Forcing the victim to ....kiss and make up with the perpetrator, and or never to report the abuse again. The end result the same. Quiet the victims.

In 2007 The Kansas Docking Report released the following disturbing report:

"That Domestic Violence Reporting had decreased (not that Domestic Violence had decreased, but in the reporting of the violence) because **Victims were afraid they would lose custody of her children.** - And rightfully so.

In conclusion; can we say 'enough already?' It would only make 'sense' to NOT punish the Mother and Child for in good faith reporting of abuse. The passage of the protective parent act will not fix all the bad that the courts are doing to children but it will at least give them a 1st line of defense in protecting children and their mothers from being further abused by the courts when they seek to leave an abuser to protect her children and herself from human rights violations and to be free from torture. It's time to step up to the plate and stop protecting the perpetrators and start protecting the victims. You can pass all the laws you want geared to

protect victims of domestic violence, but if you do not or don not allow her to protect her children -- then those laws are in vain.

## **Research, Resources, Studies, Scholar**

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- Criminal Rewards.
- Domestic Violence IS A GENDER ISSUE.
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- The American Family and Juvenile Court Judges Association
- Therapeutic jurisprudence by Liz Kates
- 1996 Presidential Task Force
- 2012 US Dept. of Justice report by Dr. Daniel Saunders
- Jay Silverman, Lundy Bancroft
- Domestic Violence, Child Custody, And Child Protection: Understanding Judicial Resistance and Imagining The Solutions by Joan Meyer
- Joan Zorza Batterer Manipulation and Retaliation Complicity in Family Courts
- Evan Stark Coercive Control
- 2007 Kansas Docking Report
- Lundy Bancroft Batterer as Parent
- Whores of the Court And The Rape of American Justice By Margret Copehagen
- No Way Out But One
- Breaking The Silence Children's Stories
- Domestic Violence Continued Through Child Custody Litigation
- American Psychological Association
- Barry Goldstein
- Whores of the Court and the Rape of American Justice
- Daniel Saunders DOJ Study
- Mothers File International Suit
- MyFox True Crime Series
- Domestic Violence, Child Custody and Abuse
- NOMAS
- Family Courts Helping Pedophiles and Batterers Gain Child Custody Peter Jamison
- MYTHS and FACTS
- More National Scholarly Articles