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**Child Support Enforcement Legislative Proposals**

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**1. KPC Sunset Measure**

This would amend K.S.A. 23-4,118 to delete subsection (h) which, if left in effect, would cause the Kansas Payment Center's enabling statute to sunset after July 1, 2003.

**2. Social Security Number on Application for Kansas Driver's License**

This would amend K.S.A. 8-240 to require a SSN on all driver's license applications. In order to be in compliance with Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, Kansas law must require all driver's license applicants to furnish a SSN on their license application. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has advised SRS that Kansas law does not meet the federal requirement which states that "each state must have in effect laws requiring . . . that the social security number of . . . any applicant for a . . . driver's license . . . be recorded on the application."

If HHS formally finds the Kansas IV-D state plan out of compliance, all title IV-D federal funding will be denied until the State comes into compliance. Federal calculations indicate that the loss would total \$31 million per year, an average of nearly \$8 million per quarter. Additionally, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant funding is at risk. TANF federal fiscal year 2002 funding was \$101 million.

**3. Repeal of \$40 Pass Through of Child Support**

The proposed bill would repeal K.S.A. 39-7,154 to abolish the requirement that, entirely at state expense, SRS pass through to the assistance family up to \$40 per month of current support collected. Federal law requires the State to transmit to the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services the federal share (60%) of all collections made on behalf of families receiving Temporary Assistance to Families (TAF). Consequently, each \$40 of child support passed through to an assistance family costs the State \$64 C \$40 paid to the family plus \$24 paid to HHS C instead of producing \$16 of State revenue.

In recent years, the Legislature has recognized the disproportionate cost of pass-through relative to its impact upon families. *Provisos* were enacted for each fiscal year from 2000 through 2003 to prohibit SRS from making any pass-through payments. In anticipation that the statute would be repealed or that a similar *proviso* would be enacted for FY 2004, the SRS budget for FY 2004 does not include funds needed to cover the estimated cost of pass-through payments. If SRS were required to comply with the mandate of K.S.A. 39-7,154, the additional cost for FY 2004 is estimated to be \$1 million (all state dollars).