

HOUSE BILL No. 2403

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT enacting the Kansas commemorative coin design act.

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

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the Kansas commemorative coin design act. The purpose of the act is to provide a means whereby the state through cooperation of its governor, arts community and high school students selects the design of the quarter dollar that is emblematic of the state of Kansas, its history, geography and rich heritage for submission to the United States secretary of the treasury in accordance with the 50 states commemorative coin program act (P.L. 105-124).

Sec. 2. (a) There is established the Kansas commemorative coin design commission. The commission shall consist of 16 members, as follows:

(1) The members of the joint committee on the arts and cultural resources;

(2) a member of the Kansas state historical society, selected by the executive committee of the board of directors of the society;

(3) a member of the Kansas arts commission, selected by the commission;

(4) a member of the Kansas humanities council, selected by the council; and

(5) three members of the general public who shall be representative of the arts, selected by the governor.

(b) The chairperson of the joint committee on the arts and cultural resources shall serve as chairperson of the commission. The commission shall meet on call of the chairperson or at the request of a majority of the members of the commission.

(c) The commission shall:

(1) Adopt procedures and guidelines for selection of the design of the quarter dollar that is emblematic of the state of Kansas; such guidelines shall be consistent with the guidelines prescribed by the 50 states commemorative coin program act and shall be publicized by the commission;

(2) invite Kansas artists to submit design sketches for the Kansas commemorative quarter dollar that are broadly appealing to the citizens of

1 the state and that maintain a dignity befitting the state's history and di-
2 versity; such design sketches must be submitted to the commission on or
3 before September 1, 2003;

4 (3) review the design sketches submitted by Kansas artists and choose
5 four designs as finalists in the design selection process; and

6 (4) collaborate with the state board of education and the secretary of
7 state in submission of the four finalist designs to an election in which all
8 students enrolled in accredited high schools of the state may participate
9 and by majority vote select the design for the Kansas commemorative
10 quarter dollar that the commission shall submit to the governor; the elec-
11 tion shall be held during the last week of January 2004.

12 Sec. 3. The governor shall submit the design selected by vote of Kan-
13 sas high school students to the United States mint for review of coina-
14 bility. After consultation with and approval of the selected design by the
15 United States secretary of the treasury, the governor shall designate the
16 design as commemorative of the state of Kansas for coinage.

17 Sec. 4. The Kansas arts commission, the Kansas humanities council
18 and the Kansas state historical society shall publicize the Kansas com-
19 memorative coin design act and shall provide such assistance to the Kan-
20 sas commemorative coin design commission as may be requested by the
21 commission.

22 Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
23 publication in the statute book.

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