

## HOUSE BILL No. 2411

By Committee on Appropriations

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9 AN ACT concerning colleges and universities; relating to the state board  
10 of regents; repealing K.S.A. 74-3205a, 74-3205b, 74-3205c and 74-  
11 3205d.

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

14 Section 1. (a) For the purpose of expediting the exercise of powers  
15 and the performance of functions and duties of the state board of regents,  
16 there is derived from the state board a commission for community col-  
17 leges and technical education, a commission for public universities, and  
18 a commission for higher education coordination. Each commission shall  
19 be composed of three members who are members of the state board.  
20 Within 30 days of the effective date of this act and at least annually there-  
21 after, the chairperson of the state board shall designate the commission  
22 on which each member shall serve. No more than one representative of  
23 any one postsecondary educational institution shall be designated for serv-  
24 ice on a commission. The members of each commission shall organize  
25 annually by electing one member of their respective commissions as  
26 chairperson. The chairperson of the state board may not serve as the  
27 chairperson of a commission.

28 (b) In addition to the commissions provided for in subsection (a), the  
29 state board may establish and organize other commissions, committees,  
30 advisory councils or groups as it shall deem necessary and appropriate to  
31 the fulfillment of its constitutional and statutory responsibilities.

32 Sec. 2. (a) The commission for community colleges, technical col-  
33 leges and technical education shall meet at Topeka at least quarterly in  
34 each year on dates fixed by the commission. Special meetings may be  
35 held upon the call of the chairperson of the commission or upon petition  
36 to the chairperson by the other two members of the commission. The  
37 date and place of all special meetings shall be designated in the call. Two  
38 members of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction  
39 of business but one member may adjourn any regular or special meeting  
40 to a definite time and place.

41 (b) The commission for community colleges, technical colleges and  
42 technical education shall:

43 (1) Propose for adoption by the state board rules and regulations for

- 1 supervision of the community colleges, technical colleges and technical  
2 schools;
- 3 (2) provide state wide planning for community colleges, technical col-  
4 leges and technical schools;
- 5 (3) initiate plans for institutional advancement and new educational  
6 programs and courses of instruction;
- 7 (4) review existing and proposed educational programs, courses of  
8 instruction, and program and course locations and make recommenda-  
9 tions to the state board for approval or disapproval of such programs,  
10 courses and locations for state funding purposes;
- 11 (5) review requests of community colleges, technical colleges and  
12 technical schools for state funding and formulate recommendations  
13 thereon;
- 14 (6) identify core indicators of quality performance for community col-  
15 leges, technical colleges and technical schools;
- 16 (7) develop each year a policy agenda for community colleges, tech-  
17 nical colleges and technical schools;
- 18 (8) conduct continuous studies of ways to maximize the utilization of  
19 resources available for community colleges, technical colleges and tech-  
20 nical schools and formulate recommendations for improvement; and
- 21 (9) make reports on the performance of its functions and duties to-  
22 gether with any proposals and recommendations it may formulate with  
23 respect thereto at each regular meeting of the state board.
- 24 Sec. 3. (a) The commission for public universities shall meet at To-  
25 peka at least quarterly in each year on dates fixed by the commission.  
26 Special meetings may be held upon the call of the chairperson of the  
27 commission or upon petition to the chairperson by the other two mem-  
28 bers of the commission. The date and place of all special meetings shall  
29 be designated in the call. Two members of the commission shall constitute  
30 a quorum for the transaction of business but one member may adjourn  
31 any regular or special meeting to a definite time and place.
- 32 (b) The commission for public universities shall:
- 33 (1) Propose for adoption by the state board rules and regulations for  
34 operation and management of the state educational institutions;
- 35 (2) initiate plans for institutional advancement and new educational  
36 programs and courses of instruction;
- 37 (3) formulate budget requests for the state educational institutions;
- 38 (4) review existing educational programs and courses of instruction  
39 at the public universities and evaluate the educational and economic jus-  
40 tification, or lack thereof, for such programs and courses;
- 41 (5) identify core indicators of quality performance for public  
42 universities;
- 43 (6) make recommendations to the state board with respect to the

1 appointment of chief executive officers of the state educational  
2 institutions;

3 (7) develop each year a policy agenda for public universities;

4 (8) conduct continuous studies of ways to maximize the utilization of  
5 resources available for public universities and formulate recommenda-  
6 tions for improvement; and

7 (9) make reports on the performance of its functions and duties to-  
8 gether with any proposals and recommendations it may formulate with  
9 respect thereto at each regular meeting of the state board.

10 Sec. 4. (a) The commission for higher education coordination shall  
11 meet at Topeka at least quarterly in each year on dates fixed by the com-  
12 mission. Special meetings may be held upon the call of the chairperson  
13 of the commission or upon petition to the chairperson by the other two  
14 members of the commission. The date and place of all special meetings  
15 shall be designated in the call. Two members of the commission shall  
16 constitute a quorum for the transaction of business but one member may  
17 adjourn any regular or special meeting to a definite time and place.

18 (b) The commission for higher education coordination shall:

19 (1) Conduct continuous review and evaluation of the comprehensive  
20 plan for coordination of higher education and make recommendations as  
21 deemed necessary and appropriate for amendment, revision or modifi-  
22 cation of the plan;

23 (2) review existing and proposed educational programs, courses of  
24 instruction, and program and course locations and make recommenda-  
25 tions to the state board with respect to the coordination of such programs,  
26 courses and locations;

27 (3) collect and analyze data and maintain a uniform postsecondary  
28 education data base;

29 (4) formulate recommendations for resolution of conflicts among and  
30 between postsecondary educational sectors and institutions;

31 (5) compile and coordinate core indicators of quality performance for  
32 postsecondary educational institutions;

33 (6) broker affiliations and mergers of postsecondary educational  
34 institutions;

35 (7) coordinate a state system interface with municipal universities and  
36 with private colleges and universities;

37 (8) formulate budget requests for state student financial assistance  
38 programs; and

39 (9) make reports on the performance of its functions and duties to-  
40 gether with any proposals and recommendations it may formulate with  
41 respect thereto at each regular meeting of the state board.

42 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 74-3205a, 74-3205b, 74-3205c and 74-3205d are  
43 hereby repealed.

1     Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
2     publication in the statute book.