

CHAPTER 139
SENATE BILL No. 54

AN ACT concerning the state capitol and grounds; creating the capitol preservation committee; repealing K.S.A. 75-2266 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 75-36,105 and 75-36,106.

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

Section 1. (a) The capitol preservation committee shall develop plans to place a mural in the capitol commemorating the United States supreme court decision entered May 17, 1954, in the case of *Brown v. Board of Education* (347 U.S. 483, 74 S.Ct. 686, 98 L.Ed. 873). Such plans shall be developed in consultation with the joint committee on arts and cultural resources.

(b) Except for the costs associated with the preparation and submission of the plans under subsection (a), no public funds shall be used to pay the costs of creating and installing the mural developed under this section.

Sec. 2. (a) There is hereby created a capitol preservation committee which will include the membership of the following:

- (1) The statehouse architect;
- (2) the executive director of the state historical society;
- (3) the executive director of the Kansas arts commission;
- (4) three members appointed by the governor;
- (5) two members appointed by the president of the senate and one member appointed by the minority leader of the senate; and
- (6) two members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one member appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives.

The governor shall appoint the chair of the committee. The committee shall meet at least annually and more often upon call of the chairperson, but no more than four meetings shall be called in any year.

(b) Of the members first appointed to the committee, the following term lengths shall apply:

- (1) Two members appointed by the governor shall serve two-year terms, and one member appointed by the governor shall serve a one-year term;
- (2) the members appointed by the minority leaders of the senate and the house of representatives shall each serve two-year terms; and
- (3) the members appointed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives shall each serve one-year terms.

Successors to such members shall serve two-year terms.

(c) The committee shall have the following responsibilities:

- (1) On or after January 1, 2013, approve all proposals for renovation of all areas of the state capitol, the capitol's visitor center and the grounds surrounding the state capitol to insure that the historical beauty of the areas are preserved;
- (2) preserve the proper decor of such areas;
- (3) assure that any art or artistic displays are historically accurate and have historic significance;
- (4) the location and types of temporary displays and revolving displays in the state capitol including the visitor center; and
- (5) oversee the reconfiguration or redecoration of committee rooms within the statehouse.

Implementation of the recommendations of the committee shall be the responsibility of the division of legislative administrative services.

(d) Any permanent displays or monuments proposed to be located on the state capitol grounds must be approved by the committee and authorized by the passage of a bill of the state legislature.

(e) The capitol preservation committee shall annually submit to the governor and the legislature a report of its activities and recommendations.

(f) Members of the committee attending meetings of the committee, or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof authorized by the committee, shall be paid compensation, subsistence allowances, mileage and other expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto, however full-time state employees serving on the committee shall not receive such compensation.

(g) The staff of the legislative research department, the office of the

revisor of statutes and the division of legislative administrative services shall provide such assistance as may be requested by the committee and to the extent authorized by the legislative coordinating council.

(h) Committee members may engage in or encourage fund raising activities for the limited purpose of funding committee responsibilities as described in subsection (c).

(i) No member of the committee shall hold a fiduciary interest, either directly or indirectly, in any contract relating to the committee responsibilities as described in subsection (c).

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 75-2266 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 75-36,105 and 75-36,106 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Approved May 17, 2010.
