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SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS  
Wednesday, January 28, 2026, 2:30 p.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Ty Masterson.  
The roll was called with 39 senators present.  
Senator Claeys was excused.  
Invocation by Reverend Cecil T. Washington:

Heavenly Father, there are issues where we have divided opinions and we realize that's not bad. Then there are issues over which we become divided and that's not good.

Remind us, Father, of Your words in Matthew 22:36-40, that most essential law for us to consider is the law of love our first priority is to have love for YOU, and then love for others that's comparable to the love we have for ourselves.

Help us in our diversity to rise above adversity. Help us in our diversity to rise above adversity. Lord, You said in Matthew 12:25, that every house divided against itself would not stand. And during the times when we don't agree with each other, help us to disagree agreeably.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. famously said, "Love is the only force capable of transforming the opposition into a friend!" Help us to measure our positions by Your position, understanding that the more we come into agreement with You, the more we'll come into agreement with each other.

Bind us together, Lord, and make this house where the power of love is turning us from co-workers into friends, not just in name, but in practice. I offer this prayer in the name of Him who is love personified, Jesus the Christ, Amen!

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Masterson.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and concurrent resolution were introduced and read by title:

**SB 405**, AN ACT concerning artificial intelligence; making it unlawful for a person to knowingly train artificial intelligence to encourage or support suicide or the unlawful killing of another person, provide emotional support, develop emotional relationships, act as a healthcare professional, simulate humans or encourage isolation; providing civil actions for violations, with potential recovery of damages, attorney fees and litigation costs; permitting courts to order equitable relief to correct unlawful conduct, by Committee on Federal and State Affairs.

**SB 406**, AN ACT concerning education; relating to workforce development; directing the governor to approve short-term workforce training programs for Pell grant

eligibility; requiring the state workforce development board to establish an internal process for such eligibility, by Committee on Education.

**SB 407**, AN ACT concerning administrative rules and regulations; relating to hazardous waste monitoring and permit application fees; authorizing the adoption of certain rules and regulations by the department of health and environment, by Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

**SB 408**, AN ACT concerning children and minors; related to the revised Kansas code for care of children; amending the definition of child in need of care to exclude a child engaging in age-appropriate independent activities; excluding a child engaging in independent activities from the crime of endangering a child; amending K.S.A. 23-2215, 23-3207, 38-2232, 38-2242, 38-2260 and 38-2271 and K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 21-5601, 38-2202 and 38-2243 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Judiciary.

**SB 409**, AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to health insurance coverage; requiring that a no cost-sharing requirement be imposed on insureds for diagnostic and supplemental breast examinations for breast cancer, by Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance.

**SB 410**, AN ACT concerning financial institutions; relating to cybersecurity; providing that earned wage access service registrants are subject to the provisions of the Kansas financial institutions information security act; amending K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 9-551 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance.

**SB 411**, AN ACT concerning vehicles; relating to traffic regulations; providing for the use of triple trailers on highways; increasing the allowable gross weight for such vehicle combinations; relating to dealer license plates; providing for the use of trailers with such plates; amending K.S.A. 8-1904, 8-1909 and 8-2406 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Transportation.

**SB 412**, AN ACT concerning the probate code; relating to guardians and conservators; imposing the duty to notify nonparties to a conservatorship of any court order commanding performance or safekeeping of the conservatee's estate assets; amending K.S.A. 59-30,176 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance.

**SB 413**, AN ACT concerning civil procedure; prohibiting counsel from suggesting an amount to award as damages for noneconomic loss in civil actions, by Committee on Judiciary.

**SB 414**, AN ACT concerning children and minors; relating to juvenile crisis intervention centers; authorizing funding from the evidence-based programs account to be used for licensed residential facilities that have behavioral health crisis intervention programs for juveniles; amending K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 65-536 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Judiciary.

**SB 415**, AN ACT concerning the residential landlord and tenant act; relating to remedies and penalties under the act; providing that violations of the act involving action or inaction by a landlord that causes a dwelling unit to be considered uninhabitable shall be subject to the remedies and enforcement provisions of the Kansas consumer protection act, by Senator Shane.

**SB 416**, AN ACT concerning cities and counties; relating to interior inspections of residential property; authorizing such inspections without consent of the occupant

pursuant to an administrative warrant or when there is probable cause of imminent danger related to health and safety; amending K.S.A. 12-16,138 and repealing the existing section, by Senator Shane.

**SB 417**, AN ACT concerning energy; relating to certain electric generation and energy storage facilities; establishing requirements for the development, construction, modification, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of industrial wind and solar energy conversion systems and industrial battery energy storage systems; authorizing the board of county commissioners of a county to permit or deny the construction of such industrial energy facilities; establishing a protest petition and election process to contest such county action; providing jurisdiction to the state corporation commission to control and permit the development, construction, modification, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of such facilities; requiring the commission to approve and issue a permit prior to the new construction or expansion of any such facility; requiring owners of existing industrial energy facilities to register with the commission; establishing minimum setback distances for such facilities; requiring the commission to adopt a code of conduct and agricultural mitigation protocols; requiring a facility owner to establish and maintain a decommission plan and provide adequate financial assurance for the decommissioning; authorizing the commission to issue certain orders and impose civil penalties for violations; authorizing the commission to adopt rules and regulations, by Committee on Utilities.

**SB 418**, AN ACT concerning housing; relating to new housing development; enacting the by-right housing development act providing a streamlined permit approval process for by-right housing developments; allowing for third-party review of new residential construction development documents and inspection of improvements; requiring political subdivisions to allow certain building provisions for single-family residences of a certain size; excluding owner initiated rezoning to a single-family residential district from protest petition provisions; providing for all land within the corporate limits of a city to be considered zoned for single-family residential use; amending K.S.A. 12-757 and 12-758 and repealing the existing sections, by Senators Rose and Masterson.

**SB 419**, AN ACT concerning education; relating to postsecondary educational institutions; enacting the Kansas intellectual rights and knowledge act; providing a civil cause of action and penalties for violations of such act; authorizing students and student associations to exercise political and ideological beliefs, values and missions; amending K.S.A. 60-5311, 60-5312 and 60-5313 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Education.

**SCR 1620**—A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the seriousness of the national debt and the threat to national security that such debt poses, by Senators Masterson, Alley, Bowers, Bowser, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Owens, Peck, Rose, Shane, Starnes and Titus.

#### **REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Assessment and Taxation: **SB 397, SB 401, SB 402.**

Federal and State Affairs: **SB 391, SB 392, SB 393, SB 394, SB 395.**

Government Efficiency: **SB 390.**

Judiciary: **SB 398, SB 399.**

Local Government, Transparency and Ethics: **SB 396**.  
 Transportation: **SB 403, SB 404**.  
 Utilities: **SB 400**.

**REFERENCE OF APPOINTMENTS**

The following appointments were referred to Committees as indicated:  
 Financial Institutions and Insurance: **Tonya Barta**, State Banking Board  
 Financial Institutions and Insurance: **Jared Brown**, State Banking Board  
 Financial Institutions and Insurance: **Darren Gragg**, State Banking Board  
 Financial Institutions and Insurance: **Liz Miller**, Kansas Development Finance Authority  
 Financial Institutions and Insurance: **Jacinda Zerr**, State Banking Board

**INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS**

Senator Erickson introduced the following Senate resolution, which was read:  
**SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1723—**

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the members of the 2026 Kansas Teacher of the Year team.

WHEREAS, The Kansas State Department of Education sponsors the Kansas Teacher of the Year program, which identifies, recognizes and utilizes representatives of excellent teaching in the elementary and secondary classrooms of the state; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the program is to build and utilize a network of exemplary teachers who are leaders in the improvement of schools, student performance and the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, Two teachers, one elementary and one secondary, in each of the state's four United States congressional districts were selected as finalists for recognition as Kansas Teacher of the Year, with the recipient being chosen from among the eight finalists; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Teacher of the Year is awarded with the Hubbard Foundation Kansas Teacher of the Year Ambassadorship, which enables the person selected to devote significant time during the second semester to activities supporting the mission of the program. The 2026 Kansas Teacher of the Year and finalists were honored at an awards banquet on September 21, 2025. All members received a cash reward as well as mementos of the event; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Teacher of the Year is nominated to represent Kansas in the National Teacher of the Year, a project of the Council of Chief of State School Officers, presented by Voya Financial; and

WHEREAS, The 2026 Kansas Teacher of the Year is Rachel Marlow, Olathe USD 233; and the regional finalists are: Tracie Betz, Quinter USD 293; Jason Peters, Hesston USD 460; Susan Rogers, Derby USD 260; Lauren Sage, Kansas City USD 500; Julie Smith, Santa Fe Trail USD 434; Troy St. Clair, Topeka USD 501; Tranda Strnad, Republic County USD 109: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the members of the 2026 Kansas Teacher of the Year team; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send eight enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Erickson.

On emergency motion of Senator Erickson **SR 1723** was adopted.

**MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

Announcing passage of **HB 2413**, **HB 2422**.

The House adopts the Conference Committee report on **HB 2347**.

Announcing passage of **SB 244**, as amended by **H Sub SB 244**.

**INTRODUCTION OF HOUSE BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

**HB 2413**, **HB 2422** were thereupon introduced and read by title.

**CONSIDERATION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS**

On motion of Senator Blasi an emergency was declared by a 2/3 constitutional majority, and **Sub SB 66**; **SCR 1615** were advanced to Final Action and roll call.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

On motion of Senator Blasi, the Senate resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, for consideration of bills on the calendar under the heading of General Orders with Senator Peck in the chair.

On motion of Senator Peck the following summary report was adopted:

**Sub SB 66** be passed by adoption of the committee report recommending a substitute bill and as amended by Committee of the Whole.

**SCR 1615** be adopted.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ACTIONS**

**SB 66** be amended by the adoption of the committee report on **SB 66** recommending **Sub SB 66**. Senator Tyson motioned to amend **Sub SB 66**. A ruling of the Chair was requested as to the germaneness of the amendment The Chair of the Rules Committee ruled the amendment germane and **Sub SB 66** be amended; on page 2, in line 20, after "(f)" by inserting "(1)"; also in line 20, by striking "subsections" and inserting "subsection"; in line 21, by striking the second "or" and inserting a comma; also in line 21, after "county" by inserting "or school district"; in line 23, by striking "school district,"; in line 24, by striking the first "or" and inserting a comma; also in line 24, after "county" by inserting "or school district"; in line 25, by striking "school district,"; in line 26, by striking "or" and inserting a comma; also in line 26, after "county" by inserting "or school district"; in line 27, by striking "subsections" and inserting "subsection"; following line 30, by inserting:

"(2) For purposes of this section, "appointed officer of a school district" means the superintendent of such school district."

And, **Sub SB 66** be further amended by motion of Senator Shallenburger; on page 1, following line 12, by inserting:

"Section 1. K.S.A. 46-252 is hereby amended to read as follows: 46-252. All statements of substantial interests filed under this act shall be available for examination and copying by the public at all reasonable times. ~~Each individual examining a statement must first fill out a form or sign a register prepared and publicly maintained by the secretary of state identifying the examiner by name, occupation, address and telephone number, and listing the date of examination.~~";

On page 2, in line 40, after "K.S.A." by inserting "46-252 and"; also in line 40, by striking "is" and inserting "are";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, after "concerning" by inserting "state and"; in line 9, after the semicolon by inserting "deleting a requirement that a person examining a state disclosure of financial interest shall disclose the person's name, address, occupation and phone number;"; in line 10, after "K.S.A." by inserting "46-252 and"; also in line 10, by striking "section" and inserting "sections"

**SCR 1615** be adopted.

A motion to amend **SCR 1615** was offered by Senator Haley. A ruling of the Chair was requested as to the germaneness of the amendment. The Chair of the Rules Committee ruled the amendment not germane.

The ruling of the Chair was challenged.

Upon the showing of five hands a roll call vote was requested.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 30; Nays 8; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 2.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Francisco, Gossage, Hill, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Corson, Faust Goudeau, Haley, Holscher, Miller, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes.

Absent or Not Voting: Billinger, Claeys.

The ruling of the Chair was sustained.

#### EXPLANATION OF VOTE

My amendment was to add Donald Trump as a co-honoree to the Charlie Kirk “Free Speech” resolution to bolster the recognition of the resolution. It was erroneously ruled as not germane to the underlying resolution. Claiming that Donald Trump’s name as an addition would make it a “multiple subject” resolution is simply non-factual; and my amendment not being added defies the Senate’s set rules. Further, it is amazing that this Senate Chamber would vote against giving Donald Trump some State of Kansas recognized honor that would be in our laws. I thought most members would do anything to recognize Donald Trump positively. I believe my Amendment was procedurally correct and legal and should have been heard and debated.—DAVID HALEY

A motion to amend **SCR 1615** was offered by Senator Schmidt. A ruling of the Chair was requested as to the germaneness of the amendment. The Chair of the Rules Committee ruled the amendment not germane.

The ruling of the Chair was challenged.

Upon the showing of five hands a roll call vote was requested.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 29; Nays 7; Present and Passing 2; Absent or Not Voting 2.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Hill, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Faust Goudeau, Francisco, Holscher, Miller, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes.

Present and Passing: Corson, Haley.

Absent or Not Voting: Billinger, Claeys.

The ruling of the Chair was sustained.

**CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO CONCUR AND NONCONCUR**

Senator Warren moved the Senate concur in House amendments to **H Sub SB 244**.

**H Sub SB 244**, AN ACT concerning identification of biological sex; requiring the designation of multiple-occupancy private spaces in public buildings for use by only one sex; imposing criminal and civil penalties for violations; providing a cause of action for individuals aggrieved by an invasion of privacy or other harm when accessing a multiple-occupancy private space; amending the women's bill of rights; defining the term "gender" to mean biological sex at birth for purposes of statutory construction; directing the director of the division of vehicles to invalidate and reissue driver's licenses when necessary to correct the gender identification on such licenses; directing the office of vital statistics to invalidate and reissue birth certificates when necessary to correct the sex identification on such certificates; removing the definition of "gender" from the help not harm act; amending K.S.A. 8-234a and K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 8-243, 65-28, 137 and 77-207 and repealing the existing sections.

Senator Sykes offered a substitute motion to nonconcur on House amendments to **H Sub SB 44** and requested a conference committee be appointed. The motion failed on voice vote.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 30; Nays 9; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Hill, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Corson, Faust Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Miller, Pettay, Schmidt, Sykes.

Absent or Not Voting: Claeys.

The Senate concurred.

**EXPLANATION OF VOTE**

I vote "NO" on **House Substitute for SB 244**. Rather than clarify the use of the words "Sex" and "Gender", the legislature has now eliminated the earlier definition of "Gender" and is defining it to be the same as "Sex". And rather than make an effort to accommodate individual differences the legislature is defining others to be what is described as "their biological sex, either male or female, at birth". By refusing to consider any alternatives, and by requiring that vital statistics shall only identify each individual who is part of the collected data set as either male or female at birth, I believe we are missing out on a lot of learning and opportunities to make positive change for all of us.—MARCI FRANCISCO

I conducted over 60 town halls across the state this past summer. My town halls had record breaking attendance with republicans, democrats and independents showing up. Not once did the issue of gender makers or who uses which bathroom come up. What I did hear repeatedly were concerns about access to affordable housing, healthcare and childcare. Additionally, the issue of high property taxes was mentioned at every stop. With a super majority in this chamber, medicaid expansion, housing initiatives, property tax relief or bills to increase access to childcare could be prioritized. Instead, a bill

attacking a vulnerable population has been made a priority. I urge the body to vote no on **H Sub SB 244**.—CINDY HOLSCHER

#### **FINAL ACTION ON BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

**SB 184**, AN ACT concerning the environment; relating to the Kansas drycleaner environmental response act; amending such act to change the penalties for violations thereof; modifying the deductible rate for corrective actions, the environmental surcharge rate and the solvent fee; updating the delinquency penalty related to environmental surcharges and solvent fees; amending K.S.A. 65-34,142, 65-34,144, 65-34,147, 65-34,148, 65-34,150, 65-34,151 and 65-34,154 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 37; Nays 2; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hill, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Miller, Murphy, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Warren.

Nays: Owens, Tyson.

Absent or Not Voting: Claeys.

The bill passed, as amended.

**SB 254**, AN ACT concerning immigration; relating to state and local public benefits and eligibility thereof; prohibiting aliens who are unlawfully present in the United States from receiving any state or local public benefit in accordance with applicable federal law; requiring individuals 18 years of age and older who apply for any state or local public benefit to provide proof of being lawfully present; prohibiting the state or any county or local agency from providing any public benefit to any alien without first verifying that the alien is lawfully present by use of the existing systematic alien verification for entitlements program; requiring state and local agencies administering public benefits to cooperate with the United States department of homeland security in achieving verification of an alien's lawful presence; relating to release prior to criminal trial; requiring any person charged with a crime who is not a citizen or national of the United States to undergo verification of such person's immigration status; creating a rebuttable presumption that a person determined to be an alien who is unlawfully present is at risk of flight; amending K.S.A. 22-2802 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 30; Nays 9; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Hill, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Corson, Faust Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Miller, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes.

Absent or Not Voting: Claeys.

The bill passed, as amended.

## EXPLANATION OF VOTE

I vote "NO" on **SB 254**. I have joined the comments expressing concerns if we make opportunities for higher education even more difficult to obtain. However I am also concerned that the bill specifically requires that State and local agencies administering public benefits in this state shall cooperate with the United States department of homeland security in achieving verification of aliens' lawful presence in the United States in furtherance of this section. My constituents, I think rightfully, have expressed concerns about homeland security. Local units of government should retain the ability to make appropriate decisions about law enforcement and safety for their individual communities.—**MARCI FRANCISCO**

I oppose **SB 254**. This bill punishes young people in our state as well as our universities, the Kansas economy and our communities by instilling more barriers to higher education. Additionally, this reduces the number of skilled graduates entering the workforce in our state. Denying in-state college tuition to children who have grown up attending Kansas schools is extremely short-sighted and offensive. I adamantly oppose this bill.—**CINDY HOLSCHER**

Senator Francisco requests the record to show she concurs with the "Explanation of Vote" offered by Senator Holscher on **SB 254**.

When a foreigner lives with you in your land don't take advantage of them. Treat the foreigner the same as a native. Love them like one of your own. I vote no on **SB 254**.—**DINAH SYKES**

**EMERGENCY FINAL ACTION ON BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

**Sub SB 66**, AN ACT concerning state and local governmental ethics; relating to filing requirements of the statement of substantial interests; requiring annual filing by city or county elected or appointed officials; providing that elected or appointed officials of a governmental subdivision other than a city or county file statements of substantial interests if any change in substantial interests occurred; requiring governmental officials with a substantial interest in a real estate development project to verbally disclose such interest prior to first participating in any discussion, review or action on a proposed zoning change or permit; deleting a requirement that a person examining a state disclosure of financial interest shall disclose the person's name, address, occupation and phone number; amending K.S.A. 46-252 and 75-4302a and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 36; Nays 3; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hill, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Miller, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Holscher, Pettey, Sykes.

Absent or Not Voting: Claeys.

The substitute bill passed, as amended.

**SCR 1615**, A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the life and legacy of Charlie Kirk and recognizing October 14, 2026, and every October 14 thereafter, as

Charlie Kirk Free Speech Day.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 30; Nays 9; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 1.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Hill, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Corson, Faust Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Miller, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes.

Absent or Not Voting: Claeys.

The resolution was adopted.

**CHANGE OF REFERENCE**

The President withdrew **SB 390** from the Committee on **Government Efficiency**, and referred the bill to the Committee on **Agriculture and Natural Resources**.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Committee on **Assessment and Taxation** recommends **SB 74** be amended as recommended by the Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation as reported in the Journal of the Senate on February 26, 2025, and the bill, as printed As Amended by Senate Committee, be further amended on page 1, in line 6, before "Section" by inserting: "New"; also in line 6, by striking "2025" and inserting "2026"; also in line 6, by striking "2027" and inserting "2028"; following line 19, by inserting:

"Sec. 2. On and after January 1, 2027, K.S.A. 65-7107 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-7107. ~~(a)~~ Appropriate state agencies are hereby directed to amend ~~their~~ the state plans of such agencies to protect the benefits of ~~these~~ families and individuals receiving such benefits by adding language consistent with the following: Any funds in an individual development account, including accrued interest, shall be disregarded when determining eligibility to receive the amount of any public assistance or benefits.

~~(b)~~ A program contributor shall be allowed a credit against state income tax imposed under the Kansas income tax act in an amount equal to 25% of the contribution amount.

~~(c)~~ The institute shall verify all tax credit claims by contributors. The administration of the community-based organization, with the cooperation of the participating financial institutions, shall submit the names of contributors and the total amount each contributor contributes to the individual development account reserve fund for the calendar year. The institute shall determine the date by which such information shall be submitted to the institute by the local administrator. The institute shall submit verification of qualified tax credits pursuant to K.S.A. 65-7101 through 65-7107, and amendments thereto, to the department of revenue.

~~(d)~~ The total tax credits authorized pursuant to this section shall not exceed \$6,250 in any fiscal year.

~~(e)~~ The provisions of this section shall be applicable to all taxable years commencing after December 31, 2002.

~~(f)~~ For tax year 2013 and all tax years thereafter, the income tax credit provided by this section shall only be available to taxpayers subject to the income tax on corporations imposed pursuant to subsection (c) of K.S.A. 79-32,110, and amendments

~~thereto, and shall be applied only against such taxpayer's corporate income tax liability.~~

Sec. 3. On and after January 1, 2027, K.S.A. 65-7107, 79-32,204, 79-32,222, 79-32,262 and 79-32,266 and K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 32-1438 are hereby repealed.";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

Also on page 1, in the title, in line 3, after "storage" by inserting "; repealing unused tax credits relating to agritourism liability insurance, assistive technology contributions, declared disaster capital investment, environmental compliance, owners promoting employment across Kansas and swine facility improvement; amending K.S.A. 65-7107 and repealing the existing section; also repealing K.S.A. 79-32,204, 79-32,222, 79-32,262 and 79-32,266 and K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 32-1438"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Public Health and Welfare** recommends **SB 327** be amended on page 2, in line 41, by striking "On"; in line 42, by striking all before second "The"; in line 43, by striking "in January and once in April";

On page 3, in line 1, by striking "and at least once for" and inserting "each quarter with"; also in line 1, after "days" by inserting "of meetings";

On page 4, in line 32, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; and the bill be passed as amended.

On motion of Senator Blasi, the Senate adjourned until 2:30 p.m., Thursday, January 29, 2026.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks.*

COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate.*

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