

2023 Kansas Statutes

68-185. Joint legislative transportation vision task force; membership; meetings; mission; report to legislature; compensation; sunset. (a) There is hereby established the joint legislative transportation vision task force. The task force shall consist of the following members:

- (1) The chairperson of the house committee on transportation;
- (2) the chairperson of the house committee on transportation and public safety budget;
- (3) the ranking minority member of the house committee on transportation;
- (4) one member of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;
- (5) the chairperson of the house committee on appropriations, or such chairperson's designee from the house committee on appropriations;
- (6) one member of the house of representatives to be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives;
- (7) the chairperson of the senate committee on transportation;
- (8) the chairperson of the senate committee on ways and means subcommittee on transportation;
- (9) the ranking minority member of the senate committee on transportation;
- (10) one member of the senate to be appointed by the president of the senate;
- (11) the chairperson of the senate committee on ways and means, or such chairperson's designee from the senate committee on ways and means;
- (12) one member of the senate to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate;
- (13) two city representatives to be appointed by the Kansas league of municipalities, including one who resides in a city with a population greater than 25,000 people and one who resides in a city with a population less than or equal to 25,000 people;
- (14) two county commissioners to be appointed by the Kansas association of counties, including one who resides in a county with a population greater than 40,000 people and one who resides in a county with a population less than or equal to 40,000 people;
- (15) four Kansas residents to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;
- (16) two Kansas residents to be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives;
- (17) four Kansas residents to be appointed by the president of the senate;
- (18) two Kansas residents to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate;
- (19) three Kansas residents to be appointed by Kansas economic lifelines; and
- (20) the following ex-officio members, who all shall be nonvoting members:
 - (A) The secretary of transportation or the secretary's designee;
 - (B) the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee;
 - (C) the secretary of agriculture or the secretary's designee; and
 - (D) the chief executive officer of the Kansas turnpike authority or the chief executive officer's designee.

(b) The speaker of the house of representatives shall select one member of the task force who is a member of the house of representatives to serve as co-chairperson of the task force. The president of the senate shall select one member of the task force who is a member of the senate to serve as co-chairperson of the task force.

(c) For any Kansas resident appointed as a member to the task force, such member must be affiliated with one of the following stakeholder organizations. Not more than two members may be affiliated from each of the following stakeholder organizations. Two members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives pursuant to subsection (a)(15) and two members appointed by the president of the senate pursuant to subsection (a)(17) are not required to be affiliated with one of the following stakeholder organizations:

- (1) The Kansas contractors association;
- (2) the heavy constructors association;
- (3) the Kansas aggregate producers association;
- (4) the Kansas ready mix association;

- (5) the greater Kansas City building and construction trades council;
- (6) the American council of engineering companies of Kansas;
- (7) the Kansas public transit association;
- (8) a class I railroad company;
- (9) a short line railroad company;
- (10) the Kansas motor carriers association;
- (11) the Portland cement association;
- (12) the petroleum marketers and convenience store association of Kansas;
- (13) the Kansas asphalt pavement association;
- (14) the international association of sheet metal, air, rail and transportation workers;
- (15) a Kansas aerospace company;
- (16) the Kansas grain and feed association;
- (17) the Kansas economic development alliance; or
- (18) the AFL-CIO.

(d) (1) Members shall be appointed to the task force not later than 45 days from the effective date of this act. Members of the task force must all be residents of Kansas and shall consist of at least two members from all six department of transportation districts in Kansas.

(2) The joint legislative transportation vision task force may meet in an open meeting at any time upon the call of either co-chairperson of the task force.

(3) A majority of the voting members of the joint legislative transportation vision task force constitute a quorum. Any action by the task force shall be by motion adopted by a majority of the voting members present when there is a quorum.

(4) Any vacancy on the joint legislative transportation vision task force shall be filled by appointment in the manner prescribed in this section for the original appointment.

(5) Any member of the house of representatives or the senate who is appointed to the task force or a subcommittee as a member under subsection (a) or (e) may designate another member of the house of representatives or senate, respectively, to attend any or all meetings of the task force or subcommittee as such member's designee.

(e) The co-chairpersons of the joint legislative transportation vision task force may establish any subcommittees as deemed necessary by the co-chairpersons. The subcommittees shall meet on dates and locations approved by the co-chairpersons of the joint legislative transportation vision task force.

(f) The mission of the joint legislative transportation vision task force shall be as follows:

(1) Evaluate the progress of the 2010 transportation works for Kansas program to date;

(2) evaluate the current system condition of the state transportation system, including roads and bridges;

(3) the co-chairpersons shall schedule and organize meetings whose purpose is to solicit local input on existing uncompleted projects and future projects in each highway and metropolitan district. The meetings shall be open meetings and such meetings shall be held at least eight times, including at least one meeting in each department of transportation district and the Wichita and Kansas city metropolitan areas;

(4) evaluate current uses of the state highway fund dollars, including fund transfers for other purposes outside of infrastructure improvements;

(5) evaluate current transportation funding in Kansas to determine whether it is sufficient to not only maintain the transportation system in its current state, but also to ensure that it serves the future transportation needs of Kansas residents;

(6) identify additional necessary transportation projects, especially projects with a direct effect on the economic health of the state of Kansas and its residents;

(7) make recommendations regarding the needs of the transportation system over the next 10 years and beyond;

(8) make recommendations on the future structure of the state highway fund as it relates to maintaining the state infrastructure system; and

(9) make and submit reports to the legislature concerning all such work and recommendations of the task force. All such reports shall be submitted to the

legislature on or before January 31, 2019.

(g) (1) The staff of the office of revisor of statutes, the legislative research department and the division of legislative administrative services shall provide assistance as may be requested by the joint legislative transportation vision task force.

(2) The Kansas department of transportation shall, upon request by the joint legislative transportation vision task force, provide data and information relating to the transportation system in the state of Kansas that is not otherwise prohibited or restricted from disclosure by state or federal law.

(h) Subject to approval by the legislative coordinating council, the legislative members of the joint legislative transportation vision task force attending meetings authorized by the task force shall be paid amounts provided in K.S.A. 75-3223(e), and amendments thereto.

(i) The provisions of this section shall expire on June 30, 2019.

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