

HOUSE BILL No. 2366

By Committee on Energy and Environment

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1 AN ACT concerning the use of public funds to promote or implement
2 sustainable development.

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

5 Section 1. (a) No public funds may be used, either directly or
6 indirectly, to promote, support, mandate, require, order, incentivize,
7 advocate, plan for, participate in or implement sustainable development.

8 This prohibition on the use of public funds shall apply to: (1) Any activity
9 by any state governmental entity or municipality;

10 (2) the payment of membership dues to any association;

11 (3) employing or contracting for the service of any person or entity;

12 (4) the preparation, distribution or use of any kit, pamphlet, booklet,
13 publication, electronic communication, radio, television or video
14 presentation;

15 (5) any materials prepared or presented as part of a class, course,
16 curriculum or instructional material;

17 (6) any current, proposed or pending law, rule, regulation, code,
18 administrative action or order issued by any federal or international
19 agency; and

20 (7) any federal or private grant, program or initiative.

21 (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the use of
22 public funds outside the context of sustainable development: (1) For
23 planning the use, development or extension of public services or resources;

24 (2) to support, promote, advocate for, plan for, enforce, use, teach,
25 participate in or implement the ideas, principles or practices of planning,
26 conservation, conservationism, fiscal responsibility, free market
27 capitalism, limited government, federalism, national and state sovereignty,
28 individual freedom and liberty, individual responsibility or the protection
29 of personal property rights; and

30 (3) to advocate against or inform the public about any past, present or
31 future governmental action that is violative of this act.

32 (c) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Municipality" shall have the
33 meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 75-6102, and amendments thereto; and

34 (2) "sustainable development" means a mode of human development
35 in which resource use aims to meet human needs while preserving the
36 environment so that these needs can be met not only in the present, but

- 1 also for generations to come, but not to include the idea, principle or
- 2 practice of conservation or conservationism.
- 3 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 4 publication in the statute book.