

Kansas State High School Activities Association Board; Senate Sub. for HB 2197

Senate Sub. for HB 2197 amends law concerning the Kansas State High School Activities Association (KSHSAA).

The bill, while continuing to require at least 60 members to serve as directors on the KSHSAA, modifies the law regarding membership composition by doing the following:

- Ends four of the six State Board of Education (State Board) appointments upon expiration of the terms of those scheduled to expire after July 1, 2014, and replaces those directors with four successor directors appointed by the Governor. Any gubernatorial appointee must not be employed by any school affiliated with a KSHSAA league nor be a member of the State Board of Education; and
- Restructures the statutory requirement regarding representation of ethnic minority groups and both genders and adds a requirement regarding congressional district representation. Prior law required the State Board to attain, when necessary and insofar as possible, such representation by its appointment of not more than four additional directors from the public at large. The bill requires the Governor to attain such representation with gubernatorial appointees, when necessary and insofar as possible. In addition, the Governor's appointments must be made in a way that ensures that a resident from each congressional district is appointed.

The bill revises membership on the KSHSAA executive board by specifying the following:

- A director must serve at least one year as a member of the board of directors before being elected to the executive board; and
- At least two members of the executive board must be elected from among the four gubernatorial appointees to the board of directors, to the extent possible given the restriction that these members may be eligible to serve on the executive board only during the second, fourth, and sixth years of their terms.