

## **State Use Law; New and Revised Definitions; HB 2353**

**HB 2353** revises the definition section of the State Use Law by redefining the term “qualified vendor” and including a new definition for “persons who are disabled.” “Qualified vendor” means a Kansas business that employs Kansans who are blind or disabled, excluding employees hired by third-party entities. Previously, the definition was silent on the extent of employment and the location of operations. The bill defines “persons who are disabled” as an individual of employable age whose physical or mental condition is a substantial barrier to employment.