

## Legislative Research Department Brief SB 25 – FY 2019 Claims Bill

### During the 2018 Interim:

#### Excluding Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax, the Joint Committee on Special Claims Against the State

- Heard 94 claims, of which 89, or 94.7 percent, were filed against the Department of Corrections or the correctional facilities;
- Approved 6, or 6.4 percent, of the claims heard for a total of \$3,824.31, which is only to be paid out of the agencies' existing funds;
- Denied 72, or 76.6 percent, of the claims heard;
- Carried over to the next interim 8, or 8.5 percent, of the claims heard;
- Dismissed without prejudice 5, or 5.3 percent, of the claims heard; and
- Had 3, or 3.2 percent, of the claims withdrawn by the claimant.

**Section 2, page 1.** The Committee's recommendation includes \$47.87 from Hutchinson Correctional Facility, Lansing Correctional Facility, and Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility for lost property, which included a yoga mat, fan, light bulb, and sausages.

**Section 3, pages 1 and 2.** The Committee's recommendation includes \$1,776.44 from the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services for property damage to the claimant's vehicle.

**Section 4, page 2.** The Committee's recommendation includes \$2,000 from the Kansas Department of Children and Families for the expenses related to the expungement of the claimant's daughter's name from the Kansas Child Abuse and Neglect Registry.

**Section 5, pages 2 to 4.** The Committee's recommendation includes \$80,837.74 from the Department of Revenue for Motor-Vehicle Fuel Tax Refunds to be paid out of the fund with the same name. Refunds paid by the Department of Revenue must be received within one year after the date of purchase. If the refund request is submitted after that date, the only option is to a file claim with Joint Committee on Special Claims Against the State. Refunds are allowed for taxes paid on fuel used for off-highway uses, including school buses and farming.

**Section 6, page 4.** Requires signed releases prior to payment being made.

**Section 7, page 4.** The bill would be effective upon publication in the statute book.