

Journal of the Senate

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY

SENATE CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS
Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by President Ty Masterson.

The roll was called with 40 senators present.

President Masterson introduced guest chaplain, Reverend L. D. Holmes, who delivered the following invocation:

Dear Father, it's cold outside, but our hearts are warmed by the knowledge of Your presence in our lives. Thank You for never giving up on helping us to become the person You created us to be. Please use the gifts and graces imparted to each one to be used in a constructive and positive way.

Your Word proclaims "Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith, supply moral excellence. And in your moral excellence, Knowledge, and in your knowledge, self control, and in your self control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, and in your godliness brotherly kindness and in your brotherly kindness love. For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful."

Father, help us to live and work in such a way that the positive attributes we find the Apostle Peter teaching about, are mirrored in our thoughts and actions. It is so easy to get caught up in things that really don't matter and ignore the important things which do matter. Give us Divine discernment, that we might be found faithful and prudent in all the truly important issues of life.

We pray for the homeless and marginalized in our midst. Most, if not all, feel they are never seen and their needs seldom met. You have uniquely placed each one in this chamber, in a powerful position to make a difference in the lives of many who are living with little or no hope. Give these senators the eyes of our Creator, that they might see individuals as You see them, O God. And in the quietness of our own souls remind us, "except for the grace of God, there go I."

I pray and intercede for the families of those gathered here. Many are having to take on new and added responsibilities. Give them strength for the day and patience for the hour.

I pray this in Jesus' Name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Masterson.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bill was introduced and read by title:

SB 277, AN ACT concerning income taxation; relating to Kansas adjusted gross

income; exempting certain qualified tips from state income tax by providing a subtraction modification for such tips; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-32,117 and repealing the existing section, by Committee on Assessment and Taxation.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to Committees as indicated:

Education: **SB 275**.

Federal and State Affairs: **SB 272, SB 273**.

Public Health and Welfare: **SB 276**.

Utilities: **SB 274**.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

Senators Masterson, Blasi and Sykes introduce the following Senate Concurrent Resolution which was read:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 1613—

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION relating to the adjournment of the senate and the house of representatives for a period of time during the 2025 regular session of the legislature.

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Representatives concurring therein: That the legislature shall adjourn at the close of business of the daily session convened on February 20, 2025, and shall reconvene on February 25, 2025; and

Be it further resolved: That the chief clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate and employees specified by the director of legislative administrative services for such purpose shall attend to their duties each day during periods of adjournment, Sundays excepted, for the purpose of receiving messages from the governor and conducting such other business as may be required; and

Be it further resolved: Except as otherwise provided, that members of the legislature shall not receive subsistence allowances provided for in K.S.A. 46-137a(b), and amendments thereto, for any day within a period in which both houses of the legislature are adjourned for more than two days, Sundays excepted; and

Be it further resolved: That members of the legislature attending a legislative meeting of whatever nature when authorized pursuant to law or authorized by the legislative coordinating council, the president of the senate or the speaker of the house of representatives and members of a conference committee attending a meeting of the conference committee authorized by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives during any period of adjournment shall receive travel expenses and subsistence allowances as provided by law.

On emergency motion of Senator Blasi **SCR 1613** was adopted by voice vote.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Senators Sykes, Argabright, Pettey and Starnes introduced the following Senate resolution, which was read:

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1710—

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending
the award-winning educators in Kansas.

WHEREAS, The Milken Educator Award program, established by the Milken Family Foundation, recognizes and provides financial awards to elementary and secondary school teachers, principals and other educational professionals who further excellence in education; and

WHEREAS, Meredith Reid, an educator at Girard High School in Girard USD 248, has been selected as the Kansas recipient for the 2024 Milken Educator Award; and

WHEREAS, The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching program is the highest recognition for a science, technology, engineering, mathematics and computer science teacher in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Six educators in Kansas were selected as National Finalists for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching between 2021 and 2023; and

WHEREAS, The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching recipients for 2021 are: Erica Huggard, Secondary Science, Emporia High School, Emporia USD 253; and Elizabeth Self, Secondary Mathematics, Kepley Middle School, Ulysses USD 214; and

WHEREAS, The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching recipients for 2022 are: Todd Flory, Elementary Science, Wheatland Elementary School, Andover USD 385; and Angela Gray, Elementary Mathematics, Atchison Elementary School, Atchison USD 409; and

WHEREAS, The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching recipients for 2023 are: Robin Anderson, Secondary Mathematics, Andover Middle School, Andover USD 385; and Jennifer Hendrix, Secondary Science, Dodge City High School, Dodge City USD 443; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Horizon Award Program, which is currently in its 25th year and is sponsored by the Kansas State Department of Education and Capitol Federal, identifies and recognizes exemplary first-year teachers who perform in a way that distinguishes them as outstanding; and

WHEREAS, Thirty-two beginning elementary and secondary school educators across the state have been named Kansas Horizon Award Program educators; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Region 1 Kansas Horizon Award recipients are: Dalton Kraus, Victoria Elementary School, Victoria USD 432; Emma Lidstrom, Coronado Elementary School, Salina USD 305; Angie Linden, Lyons Middle School, Lyons USD 405; Jessyka Mikkelson, Southeast of Saline Elementary School, Southeast of Saline USD 306; Rylie Sanders, Buhler High School, Buhler USD 313; Sarah Schlottman, Abilene High School, Abilene USD 435; Kiley Seidl, Haven Grade School, Haven USD 312; and Brayden Smith, Hays High School, Hays USD 489; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Region 2 Kansas Horizon Award recipients are: Denise Acosta, Spring Valley Elementary School, Geary County USD 475; Jasmine Cole, Hillsboro Middle and High School, Durham-Hillsboro-Lehigh USD 410; Jason Dester, Topeka West High School, Topeka USD 501; Brennen Feeback, Fort Scott High School, Fort Scott USD 234; Makayla Gray, Burlington Elementary School, Burlington USD 244; Michael Lager, Junction City High School, Geary County USD 475; Alyssa Larson, Gray Hawk Elementary School, Basehor-Linwood USD 458; and Trenton Lowry, North Lawn Elementary School, Neodesha USD 461; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Region 3 Kansas Horizon Award recipients are: Sarah Alas, Delaware Ridge Elementary School, Bonner Springs USD 204; Ryleigh Diskin, Ray Marsh Elementary School, Shawnee Mission USD 512; Marie Jones, Scarborough Elementary School, Olathe USD 233; Brock LaPlante, Spring Hill High School, Spring Hill USD 230; Tara Mulcahy, Broadmoor Elementary School, Louisburg USD 416; Steve Murray, Olathe West High School, Olathe USD 233; Allaire Pigg, Turner High School, Turner USD 202; and Eric Reece, Central Heights Middle School, Central Heights USD 288; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Region 4 Kansas Horizon Award recipients are: Viridiana Arias, Maize South High School, Maize USD 266; Lexie Bullinger, Robert M. Martin Elementary School, Andover USD 385; Joshua Isaacs, West Elementary School, Valley Center USD 262; Tyler Kohlman, Amelia Earhart Elementary School, Goddard USD 265; Matt Miller, Truesdell Middle School, Wichita USD 259; Ann Patton, Augusta Middle School, Augusta USD 402; Hannah Reynolds, Eisenhower High School, Goddard USD 265; and Kelsy Sproul, Sedan Elementary School, Chautauqua USD 286: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend these outstanding educators; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send 34 enrolled copies of this resolution to the Commissioner of Education.

On emergency motion of Senator Sykes **SR 1710** was adopted by voice vote.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Announcing passage of **HB 2031, HB 2110, HB 2117, HB 2124; Sub HB 2145; HB 2169, HB 2170, HB 2185, HB 2215.**

Announcing passage of **HB 2016, HB 2022, HB 2039, HB 2062, HB 2075, HB 2083, HB 2116, HB 2118, HB 2121, HB 2122, HB 2155, HB 2158, HB 2168, HB 2182, HB 2201, HB 2212, HB 2261, HB 2280.**

Announcing passage of **Sub HB 2007.**

INTRODUCTION OF HOUSE BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

Sub HB 2007; HB 2016, HB 2022, HB 2031, HB 2039, HB 2062, HB 2075, HB 2083, HB 2110, HB 2116, HB 2117, HB 2118, HB 2121, HB 2122, HB 2124; Sub HB 2145; HB 2155, HB 2158, HB 2168, HB 2169, HB 2170, HB 2182, HB 2185, HB 2201, HB 2212, HB 2215, HB 2261, HB 2280 were thereupon introduced and read by title.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On motion of Senator Blasi, the Senate resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, for consideration of bills on the calendar under the heading of General Orders with Senator J.R. Claeys in the chair.

On motion of Senator J. R. Claeys the following summary report was adopted:

SB 51, SB 89, SB 139, SB 186, SB 241, SB 250 be passed.

SB 244 be passed as amended by Committee of the Whole.

SB 54 be passed by the adoption of the committee report recommending a substitute bill.

SB 197 be passed by adoption of the committee report recommending a substitute bill

and as amended by Committee of the Whole.

SB 28, SB 76, SB 97, SB 114, SB 121, SB 175, SB 227 be passed as amended by the adoption of the committee reports.

SB 42, SB 47, SB 105, SB 204 be passed as amended by the adoption of the committee reports and as further amended by Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ACTIONS

SB 28 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments.

SB 42 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments, be further amended by motion of Senator Dietrich; on page 1, in line 7, by striking "9" and inserting "10";

On page 3, following line 29, by inserting:

"New Sec. 10. Establishing compliance with the provisions of K.S.A. 40-3104, and amendments thereto, through the insurance verification system shall not be the primary cause for law enforcement to stop a vehicle.";

And by renumbering sections accordingly

SB 42 be further amended by motion of Senator Titus; on page 2, in line 16, by striking ", including, but not" and inserting ". Such information shall be"

SB 47 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments, be further amended by motion of Senator Shane; on page 2, in line 20, after "Add" by inserting "one"; also in line 20, by striking "items under the category of new business at" and inserting "item to the agenda of"

A motion by Senator Pettey to amend **SB 47** failed.

A motion by Senator Pettey to amend **SB 47** was withdrawn.

SB 51 be passed.

SB 54 be amended by the adoption of the committee report on **SB 54** recommending **Sub SB 54**

SB 76 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments.

A motion by Senator Schmidt to amend **SB 76** failed and the following amendment was rejected; on page 1, in line 23, by striking all before "act" and inserting "right to bully";

On page 2, in line 2, after "for" by inserting "bullying fellow students by"; in line 9, after "(f)" by inserting "No student, or a parent thereof, who has been subjected to legalized bullying shall have a cause of action against the employees of school districts and postsecondary educational institutions or the student accused of bullying.

(g)"

Upon the showing of five hands a roll call vote was requested.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 3; Nays 31; Present and Passing 6; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Schmidt.

Nays: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Present and Passing: Corson, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Sykes, Ware.

SB 89 be passed.

SB 97 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments.

SB 105 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments, be further amended by motion of Senator Francisco; on page 3, in line 23, by striking all after the comma; in line 24, by striking all before the comma and inserting "within 30 calendar days after the first meeting of the joint committee"; in line 29, after "then" by inserting ", within 30 calendar days after the first meeting of the joint committee,"

A motion by Senator Faust Goudeau to amend **SB 105** failed.

SB 114 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments.

SB 121 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments.

SB 139 be passed.

SB 175 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments.

SB 186 be passed.

SB 197 be amended by the adoption of the committee report on **SB 197** recommending **Sub SB 197**, be amended by motion of Senator Klemp; on page 2, following line 6, by inserting:

"New Sec. 2. (a) The secretary of commerce may approve vertical construction of any project within an approved STAR bond project district in cities with a population under 60,000 if such approval is granted prior to December 31, 2025.

(b) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the STAR bonds financing act.";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 3, after the semicolon by inserting "authorizing the secretary of commerce to approve vertical construction within certain STAR bond project districts;"

A motion by Senator Shane to amend **Sub SB 197** failed

SB 204 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments, be further amended by motion of Senator Warren; on page 1, in line 20, after "shall" by inserting ":

(A)";

Also on page 1, in line 22, after "subpoena" by inserting "; or

(B) apply to a warrant issued pursuant to K.S.A. 22-2807, and amendments thereto"

SB 227 be amended by the adoption of the committee amendments.

SB 241 be passed.

SB 244 be amended by motion of Senator Warren; on page 3, in line 31, by striking "Any"; by striking all in lines 32 through 34; in line 35, by striking all before "A"

SB 250 be passed.

A motion by Senator Holscher to amend **SB 250** failed and the following amendment was rejected; on page 1, in line 27, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; in line 28, after "vaccines" by inserting "and medicinal cannabis"

Upon the showing of five hands a roll call vote was requested.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 9; Nays 31; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not

Voting 0.

Yeas: Corson, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Ware.

Nays: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

As the first Kansas Senator, alone no less, to bring the concept of legalizing and regulating medicinal marijuana to this Legislature (2009), I strongly support this amendment. Back then, the U.S. had just two States with cannabis legalization. Today, U.S. citizens in all but ten States (sadly of which, Kansas is yet one) have access to cannabis use ; for medicinal and, often, recreational consumption, as well. Kansans are less free than the 83% of Americans who may opt to imbibe with a natural, well-regulated and taxed plant which is a far healthier alternative to opiates and often dangerous chemicals and compounds. Further, a recent study shows more Americans choose to consume marijuana daily than consume an alcoholic beverage daily. If consistent polling is correct, I predict that the majority in each of our Senate districts would support this amendment's passing and that we would join the options available on marijuana use available to the overwhelming majority of our fellow countrymen and women. Accordingly, I vote AYE on this amendment.—DAVID HALEY

FINAL ACTION ON CONSENT CALENDAR

SB 92, SB 104 having appeared on the Consent Calendar for the required two full legislative days without objection from any member, were considered on final action.

SB 92, AN ACT concerning the state corporation commission; relating to electric transmission line siting permits; extending the time in which the commission shall make a final order on an electric transmission line siting application; amending K.S.A. 66-1,178 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 104, AN ACT concerning counties; relating to citizens commissions on local government; granting certain boards of county commissioners discretion to create such commission; amending K.S.A. 19-2670 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson,

Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.
The bill passed.

FINAL ACTION ON BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

SB 2, AN ACT concerning elections; relating to question submitted elections on the issuance of bonds by a school district; validating the election results for the bond issuance question submitted by the board of education of USD 200, Greeley county; relating to election publication requirements; providing for publication on the website of the county election office if such office has a website; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 10-120 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 1; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Tyson.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 13, AN ACT concerning the secretary of state; relating to the filing of public records with the secretary of state; eliminating the requirement for labor organizations to file such organization's constitution, bylaws and annual reports and fees associated with such filings; eliminating requirements for the board of regents to file reciprocal agreements for use of educational facilities; eliminating the requirement for the secretary of revenue to file an annual report and lists of tax indebtedness and liabilities; eliminating the requirement that river bank easements be filed; eliminating requirements for warehousemen to be licensed by the secretary of state and for filing any associated records; amending K.S.A. 44-807, 44-809, 44-810, 44-823, 74-3220, 74-3221, 75-5501, 79-6a14, 79-3233g, 82-165 and 82-169 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-3233b and 82a-220 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 44-805, 44-806, 44-806a, 75-4337, 82-163, 82-164 and 82-167, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 18, AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to distinctive license plates; providing for the hunter nation distinctive license plate, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 1; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson,

Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Blew.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 20, AN ACT concerning insurance; reducing the number of board members appointed by the commissioner on certain insurance-related boards and the frequency of the meetings of the committee on surety bonds and insurance; amending K.S.A. 40-2102, 40-2109, 40-3116, 40-3413 and 75-4101 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 21, AN ACT concerning insurance; requiring that third-party administrators maintain separate fiduciary accounts for individual payors and not contain funds collected or held on behalf of multiple payors and disclose to the commissioner of insurance any bankruptcy petition filed by or on behalf of such administrator pursuant to chapter 9 or chapter 11 of the United States bankruptcy code; amending K.S.A. 40-3807 and 40-3809 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 22, AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to title insurance; requiring title agents to make their audit reports available for inspection upon request of the commissioner of insurance instead of submitting such reports annually; requiring the amount of surety bonds filed with the commissioner to be \$100,000; eliminating the controlled business exemption in certain counties; amending K.S.A. 40-1139 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 40-1137 and 40-2404 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 23, AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to unfair and deceptive acts or practices; requiring agents and insurers to respond to inquiries from the commissioner

of insurance within 14 calendar days; authorizing certain rebate pilot programs to exceed one year in duration; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 40-2404 and 40-4909 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 24, AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to the powers, duties and responsibilities of the commissioner of insurance; authorizing the commissioner of insurance to set the amount of certain fees; requiring the publication of certain fees in the Kansas register; amending K.S.A. 40-205a, 40-218, 40-252, 40-2,133, 40-504, 40-956, 40-22a04, 40-2604, 40-2702, 40-3213, 40-3304, 40-3812, 40-3813, 40-3814, 40-4103, 40-4116, 40-4323, 40-4334, 40-4503, 40-5003 and 40-5509 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 40-3823, 40-3824, 40-4209, 40-4302 and 40-4903 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 40-3217, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 27, AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to the powers, duties and responsibilities of the commissioner; eliminating the requirement that the commissioner submit certain reports to the governor; removing certain specific entities from the definition of person for the purpose of enforcing insurance law; amending K.S.A. 40-108 and 40-2253 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 40-2,125 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

Sub SB 29, AN ACT concerning public health; removing the authorization for a county or joint board of health or local health officer to prohibit public gatherings when necessary for the control of infectious or contagious diseases; amending K.S.A. 65-119 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 28; Nays 12; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Argabright, Corson, Dietrich, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Starnes, Sykes, Ware.

The substitute bill passed.

SB 30, AN ACT concerning criminal history record information; relating to state and national criminal history record checks; requiring the secretary of labor to conduct such checks on employees who have access to federal tax information; amending K.S.A. 75-5702 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 22-4714 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 44, AN ACT concerning education; relating to the Kansas promise scholarship program; expanding the postsecondary educational institutions eligible to participate in such program; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 74-32,271 and 74-32,274 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 37; Nays 3; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Shane, Thompson, Tyson.

The bill passed, as amended.

Sub SB 45, AN ACT concerning education; relating to graduation rate determinations; requiring the state board of education to calculate graduation rates for purposes of accreditation using an alternative calculation for all school districts; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 72-3713 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 32; Nays 8; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Gossage, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Argabright, Dietrich, Francisco, Haley, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Ware.

The substitute bill passed.

SB 50, AN ACT concerning education; relating to the state board of regents; establishing uniform interest rate provisions for scholarship programs that include

repayment obligations as a condition of receiving a scholarship; authorizing the board to recover the costs of collecting such repayment obligations and to charge fees for the costs of administering scholarship, grant and other financial assistance programs; requiring eligible students to enter into agreements with the state board of regents instead of a postsecondary educational institution as a condition to receiving a grant under the adult learner grant act; amending K.S.A. 74-3260, 74-3267, 74-3272, 74-32,104, 74-32,116, 74-32,135, 74-32,153, 74-32,154 and 74-32,223 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 74-3295, 74-32,276 and 74-32,286 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 1; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Clifford.

The bill passed.

SB 52, AN ACT concerning economic development; enacting the Kansas film and digital media production development act; establishing an income tax credit and sales tax exemption program to be administered by the secretary of commerce for the purpose of developing film, video or digital production in Kansas; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-3606 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 33; Nays 7; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Billinger, Erickson, Peck, Shane, Thompson, Titus, Tyson.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 53, AN ACT concerning county law libraries; relating to the board of trustees thereof; providing that the attorney members of the board in certain counties shall be appointed by the chief judge of the judicial district; allowing the board to authorize the chief judge to use certain fees for the purpose of facilitating and enhancing functions of the district court of the county; amending K.S.A. 20-3127 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 58, AN ACT concerning water; relating to multi-year flex accounts; modifying the requirements for and authorized allocations from such accounts; amending K.S.A.

2024 Supp. 82a-736 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 64, AN ACT concerning retirement and pensions; relating to the Kansas public employees retirement system; adjusting certain internal references; extending the time for filing administrative appeals; updating provisions relating to compliance with the federal internal revenue code; amending K.S.A. 74-4902 and 74-4904 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 74-49,123 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

Sub SB 67, AN ACT concerning health professions and practice; relating to the regulation of nursing; authorizing registered nurse anesthetists to prescribe, procure and administer drugs consistent with the nurse's education and qualifications; amending K.S.A. 65-1158 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 36; Nays 4; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Murphy, Rose, Thompson, Tyson.

The substitute bill passed.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

I vote YES on **Senate Bill 67** to honor my commitment to the agreement negotiated between the involved parties, but I have a cautionary note for the proponents. As a Physician and State Senator I serve to protect patients, and I feel obligated to warn CRNAs who will be newly enabled to prescribe opioids if this bill passes the House and is signed by the Governor. Prescribing opioids for chronic pain management has an extremely high risk of addiction. Never forget that Opioid Addiction is an insidious disease that has the potential to ruin patients, families and communities.—WILLIAM CLIFFORD

SB 70, AN ACT concerning open government; relating to the open records act; prohibiting fees for electronic copies of records; exempting from disclosure formally

closed investigations with no found violations; requiring district attorneys to file reports of violations with the attorney in October instead of January; relating to the open meetings act; determining the membership calculation of subordinate groups; requiring public bodies or agencies that live stream meetings to ensure that the public is able to observe; providing for a five minute deviation to resume an open meeting at the conclusion of executive sessions; amending K.S.A. 45-219, 75-7d01, 75-753, 75-4318 and 75-4319 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 45-221 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 26; Nays 14; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Blasi, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Thomas, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Argabright, Billinger, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, Clifford, Holscher, Klemp, Pettey, Ryckman, Starnes, Sykes, Thompson, Tyson.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 71, AN ACT concerning crimes, punishment and criminal procedure; relating to crimes against public morals; requiring certain offenders to complete an educational or treatment program regarding commercial sexual exploitation and requiring the attorney general to approve such programs in consultation with the office of judicial administration; removing provisions regarding city ordinances prohibiting buying sexual relations; increasing the penalties for buying sexual relations; removing provisions regarding counting prior convictions for purposes of enhancing penalties; amending K.S.A. 12-4106, 12-4120, 12-4416, 21-5426, 21-6421, 21-6422 and 22-2909 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 77, AN ACT concerning administrative rules and regulations; requiring state agencies to provide notice of revocation thereof; removing certain abolished or inactive state agencies from the five-year agency review requirement; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 77-426 and 77-440 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 78, AN ACT concerning education; relating to postsecondary educational institutions; requiring such institutions to regularly review and update accreditation policies; prohibiting accrediting agencies from compelling such institutions to violate state law; providing a cause of action for violations thereof, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 38; Nays 2; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Gossage, Haley, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Francisco, Holscher.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 79, AN ACT concerning public assistance; relating to food assistance; directing the secretary for children and families to request a waiver from the supplemental nutrition assistance program that would allow the state to prohibit purchase of candy and soft drinks with food assistance; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 39-709 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 29; Nays 11; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Haley, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Thomas, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

I stand in the gap for the less fortunate who happen to find themselves in a situation to ask for public assistance to eat (SNAP). Mr. President, I vote NO on **SB 79**.—OLETHA FAUST-GOUDEAU

After diligent contemplation, I vote AYE on **SB 79**; which will request a waiver from the supplemental nutrition assistance program (“SNAP”) to allow Kansas to prohibit purchase of candy and soft drinks with food assistance (aka “electronic benefit transfers” or “EBT” or formerly “food stamps”). As one who lives, and grocery shops, in a “food desert”, every week or so I witness full grocery carts of what is easy to presume are family-based groceries. Too often those carts are laden with candy, sugary drinks, chips and other filler, arguably completely non-nutritional, “foods.” Often masquerading as staples to daily meals, the consumers, often disproportionately children, ingest these foods, once characterized as “junk foods” disproportionately and, sadly, with little if any food or foods with counterbalancing nutritional value. Where, in previous generations, mere concerns for tooth decay or cavities posed concerns, too often in this generation the deeper concerns of the onset of childhood obesity and/or diabetes has become the societal ripple effect. Further, the implementation of the

amendment offered, but rejected, to add prepared, or “hot”, foods to the list of purchasable foods would have made good sense in combating the lack of nutritional foods now consumed by those with assistance with EBT or food stamps. Many parents in today’s society simply don’t take the time to cook or even know how to prepare healthy meals. If this waiver is granted, many options will remain for our children to acquire and consume candy and pop in our communities. But instead of being an easy part of daily consumption, often practically a dangerous staple, parents will more diligently shop and prepare meals that bring more nutritional value to their young minds and bodies. With a practical love of our children and my hope for my communities’ children’s healthier futures, I vote AYE on **SB 79**.—DAVID HALEY

Citizens are listening and restricting assistance under the guise of making sure low-income individuals are “healthy” strips them of their dignity, of their humanity. A poor heavy child isn’t big because they are poor but having a lack of food can create and unhealthy relationship with food. Do we want Kansans to feel devalued because of their economic status? Families in poverty face enough challenges but what they chose to eat should not be legislated. I vote No on **SB 79**.—PAT PETTEY

Senator Francisco requests the record to show she concurs with the "Explanation of Vote" offered by Senator Pettey on **SB 79**.

This bill is about choice or actually taking away choices. I vote no.—DINAH SYKES

Senator Francisco requests the record to show that she concurs with the “Explanation of Vote” offered on **SB 79**.

SB 82, AN ACT concerning rural emergency hospitals; relating to nursing facility physical environment regulatory requirements; requiring the secretary for aging and disability services to grant waivers to certain rural emergency hospitals to provide skilled nursing facility care, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 85, AN ACT concerning public assistance; relating to the secretary for children and families; directing the secretary to enter into agreements with state agencies for the continuous review and comparison of data for public assistance eligibility; requiring the secretary to review federal sources to verify such eligibility, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 30; Nays 10; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Clifford, Corson, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 87, AN ACT concerning education; relating to the tax credit for low income student scholarship program; expanding eligibility therefor; providing for aggregate tax credit limit increases under certain conditions; amending K.S.A. 72-4353 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 72-4352 and 72-4357 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 24; Nays 16; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Argabright, Billinger, Bowser, Corson, Dietrich, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Sykes, Thompson, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 88, AN ACT concerning the state long-term care ombudsman; requiring the state long-term care ombudsman and any regional ombudsman to receive training in memory care; amending K.S.A. 75-7306 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 98, AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to distinctive license plates; providing for the route 66 association of Kansas distinctive license plate, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 1; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Blew.

The bill passed.

SB 117, AN ACT concerning aviation; relating to economic development; expanding the property tax exemption for Strother field airport property; amending K.S.A. 79-201r and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 1; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage,

Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware.

Nays: Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 126, AN ACT concerning the healing arts; relating to physician assistants; enacting the physician assistant licensure compact to provide interstate practice privileges, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 1; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Tyson.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 128, AN ACT concerning social workers; relating to attorney-client privilege; creating an exception to certain mandatory reporting obligations for licensed social workers when working under the supervision of an attorney; permitting attorneys to require certain licensed social workers to keep ethical obligations of attorney-client privilege when working under the supervision of such attorney; amending K.S.A. 38-2224, 39-1402, 39-1403, 39-1431, 39-1432 and 65-6315 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 38-2223 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 138, AN ACT concerning crimes, punishment and criminal procedure; relating to search and seizure; requiring the statement of facts sufficient to show probable cause justifying a search warrant to be made by a law enforcement officer; amending K.S.A. 22-2502 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 156, AN ACT concerning crimes, punishment and criminal procedure; creating the crime of unlawful use of a laser pointer; providing criminal penalties therefor, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 157, AN ACT concerning criminal procedure; relating to release prior to trial; forfeiture of appearance bonds; requiring warrants for failure to appear to be given to sureties; allowing bond forfeiture to be set aside if surety can show that the defendant was deported from the United States; requiring remission in certain circumstances; amending K.S.A. 22-2807 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 31; Nays 9; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Gossage, Haley, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Titus, Warren.

Nays: Corson, Francisco, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Thompson, Tyson, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 161, AN ACT concerning public assistance; requiring approval by an act of the legislature prior to any state agency seeking or implementing any public assistance program waiver or other authorization from the federal government that expands eligibility for any public assistance program or increases cost to the state or making certain changes in services for persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities; authorizing approval of waivers or other authorizations by the legislative coordinating council when the legislature is not in session, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 30; Nays 10; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Clifford, Corson, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 166, AN ACT concerning state employees; enacting the fostering competitive career opportunities act; removing postsecondary degree requirements from state employment considerations, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 1; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus,

Tyson, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Dietrich.

The bill passed, as amended.

Sub SB 193, AN ACT concerning the state board of pharmacy; relating to emergency opioid antagonists; exempting law enforcement agencies who do not provide emergency opioid antagonist pursuant to the statewide protocol from the requirement to procure a physician medical director; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 65-16,127 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The substitute bill passed.

SB 199, AN ACT concerning fireworks, defining the fireworks sales season for seasonal retailers of consumer fireworks and providing for year-round sales by permanent retailers of consumer fireworks; requiring registration with the state fire marshal by permanent retailers; creating the license categories of distributor of display fireworks, distributor of articles pyrotechnic and unlimited distributor; limiting lawful sale of fireworks labeled "For Professional Use Only" to certain license categories; amending K.S.A. 31-502 and 31-503 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 27; Nays 13; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Blasi, Blew, Bowser, Corson, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Gossage, Haley, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Argabright, Billinger, Bowers, Joseph Claeys, J.R. Claeys, Clifford, Dietrich, Francisco, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Starnes, Titus.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 222, AN ACT concerning state agencies; relating to interpretation of statutes, rules and regulations and documents with the force and effect of law; prohibiting deference to the agency's interpretation by a state court or an administrative hearing officer hearing an administrative action, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 31; Nays 9; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Corson, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Titus.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 260, AN ACT concerning parimutuel wagering; relating to the Kansas parimutuel racing act; modifying the qualifications for an organization license; redefining

horsemen's associations and horsemen's nonprofit organizations; changing the distribution of certain tax revenues; amending K.S.A. 74-8815, 74-8826, 74-8829 and 74-8838 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 74-8802 and 74-8814 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 36; Nays 4; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Warren.

Nays: Holscher, Peck, Tyson, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

EMERGENCY FINAL ACTION ON BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Senator Blasi an emergency was declared by a 2/3 constitutional majority, and **SB 28, SB 42, SB 47, SB 51; Sub SB 54; SB 76, SB 89, SB 97, SB 105, SB 114, SB 121, SB 139, SB 175, SB 186; Sub SB 197; SB 204, SB 227, SB 241, SB 244** and **SB 250** were advanced to Final Action and roll call.

SB 28, AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to licensing requirements for insurance agents and public adjusters; pertaining to suspension, revocation, denial of licensure and licensure renewal; amending K.S.A. 40-5510 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 40-4909 and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 42, AN ACT concerning motor vehicle liability insurance; providing for the establishment of a web-based online insurance verification system for the verification of evidence of motor vehicle liability insurance; amending K.S.A. 8-173 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 38; Nays 2; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Thompson, Tyson.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 47, AN ACT concerning education; relating to boards of education; requiring school districts to publicly list the names and email addresses of current board members; authorizing local school board members to add new items to board meeting discussions, ask questions or engage in discussion with members of the public and

access school property; authorizing members of the public to address school boards at board meetings; authorizing payment of annual dues to any not-for-profit organization that provides services to member school districts; amending K.S.A. 72-1145 and 72-1416 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 72-1138 and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 21; Nays 19; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Blasi, Blew, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Shane, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Argabright, Billinger, Bowers, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Owens, Pettey, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 51, AN ACT concerning sales taxation; relating to economic development; providing a sales tax exemption for the construction or remodeling of a qualified data center in Kansas, the purchase of data center equipment, eligible data center costs and certain labor costs to qualified firms that commit to a minimum investment of \$250,000,000 and meet new Kansas jobs and other requirements; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-3606 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 34; Nays 6; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Francisco, Peck, Shane, Thompson, Titus, Tyson.

The bill passed.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

While we do want to entice new business in Kansas to grow opportunities, we have to be smart about how we do it going forward. For too long we have been offering massive tax incentives to large out of state corporations subsidized on the backs of ordinary Kansans. Consider this: **SB 51** bill comes at the same time that another Senate committee was considering a bill that would prohibit reduced electric rates for data centers that don't employ enough people. The taxpayer watchdog group Good Jobs First issued a report in 2016 that examined 11 data center "megadeals" in which more than \$2 billion in state and local incentives were awarded. The study found the deals cost \$1.95 million per job, and only one employed more than 200 people. The rest employed 175 people or fewer. If we are serious about cutting the state budget, and providing meaningful tax relief to ALL Kansans, we must stop picking winners and losers with targeted tax relief for a few. Instead, we should level the playing field for all our residents and businesses so they can share in the economic benefits. I vote No.—MIKE THOMPSON

I vote no on **Senate Bill 51** due to concerns about our electric power grid's ability to provide adequate power supply in the future for both a potential influx of data centers and other economic development opportunities that provide more employment

opportunities. While the future of applications such as artificial intelligence may offer many benefits, data centers are unlike other projects because we really can't estimate today how much their future power usage may increase. It could be exponential. Given that our power grid is not keeping up with current demand in some parts of the state, I cannot support this bill without some type of protections or planning requirements before awarding the sales tax exemption.—KENNY TITUS

Sub SB 54, AN ACT concerning the code of civil procedure; relating to litigation funding by third parties; limiting discovery and disclosure of third-party litigation funding agreements; requiring reporting of such agreements to the court and requiring the judicial council to study third-party litigation funding agreements; requiring the clerk of the supreme court to develop a form for reports; exempting such reports from the open records act; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 60-226 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 39; Nays 1; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Schmidt.

The substitute bill passed.

SB 76, AN ACT concerning education; relating to employees of school districts and postsecondary educational institutions; enacting the given name act to require such employees to use the name and pronouns consistent with a student's biological sex and birth certificate; authorizing a cause of action for violations therefor.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 26; Nays 14; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Argabright, Billinger, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

I voted no on **SB 76**. While I understand the bill's intent, I'm concerned that Section 1(e) creates new legal liabilities that could punish educators for simple mistakes in addressing students. It's my hope that as this bill moves to the House, it will be amended to hold teachers harmless for inadvertent name or pronoun usage, making it a true free speech bill as stated in its preamble. That's the kind of balanced legislation I could support.—JOSEPH CLAEYS

Senators Billinger and Haley request the record to show they concur with the "Explanation of Vote" offered by Senator Joseph Claeys on **SB 76**.

SB 89, AN ACT concerning agriculture; relating to poultry disease control; authorizing the commissioner to adopt rules for establishing fees related to the poultry

disease control act; prohibiting the shipment of poultry into Kansas unless such poultry meet plan requirements; establishing an annual participation fee for the national poultry improvement plan, a certification fee for persons performing testing and diagnostic services and a fee for providing testing or diagnostic services related to pullorum-typhoid; authorizing the commissioner to revoke plan participation for failure to pay the annual plan participation fee within a 60-day grace period; amending K.S.A. 2-909, 2-910, 2-911, 2-912, 2-913, 2-914 and 2-915 and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 38; Nays 2; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Schmidt, Tyson.

The bill passed.

SB 97, AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to certain nonhighway vehicles; requiring vehicle dealers to obtain a dealer inventory-only title for any used all-terrain vehicle, work-site utility vehicle, recreational off-highway vehicle or motorcycle that such dealer obtains; amending K.S.A. 8-198 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 105, AN ACT concerning the offices of United States senator, state treasurer and the commissioner of insurance; relating to the filling of vacancies in such offices; requiring the appointment of a person of the same political party as the incumbent; requiring the legislature to nominate three persons for consideration for such appointment and that the governor appoint one of the nominated persons; establishing the joint committee on vacancy appointments; amending K.S.A. 25-101b and 40-106 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 25-318.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 31; Nays 9; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Gossage, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Corson, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 114, AN ACT concerning education; relating to certain ancillary school district activities; authorizing nonpublic school students and virtual school students to participate in such activities; making it unlawful for a school district or the state high

school activities association to discriminate against such students based on enrollment status; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 72-7121 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 32; Nays 8; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Gossage, Haley, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Warren.

Nays: Argabright, Dietrich, Francisco, Holscher, Pettey, Schmidt, Sykes, Ware.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 121, AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to the regulation thereof; authorizing the commissioner of insurance to select and announce the version of certain instructions, calculations and documents in effect for the upcoming calendar year and cause such announcement to be published in the Kansas register; allowing certain life insurers to follow health financial reports; adopting certain provisions from the national association of insurance commissioners holding company system regulatory act relating to group capital calculations and liquidity stress testing; exempting certain entities from state regulation as health benefit plans; amending K.S.A. 40-202, 40-2d01, 40-3302, 40-3305, 40-3306, 40-3307, 40-3308 and 40-4602 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 40-2c01 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 40-249 and 40-2c29.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 139, AN ACT concerning banks and trust companies; relating to the state banking code; updating certain definitions, terms and conditions therein; specifying that certain hearings be held in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act; updating certain internal references; requiring immediate notification of changes in board members; specifying that the charter of certain banks be deemed void on the effective date of a merger; establishing conditions under which it would be lawful to engage in banking without first obtaining authority from the commissioner; amending K.S.A. 9-519, 9-1111, 9-1114, 9-1724, 9-1807, 9-2011, 9-2108 and 9-2111 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 9-2107 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 9-2101 and 16-842.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

SB 175, AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to healthcare

professions; updating the definition of athletic trainer; providing for an exception for those licensed in another state, District of Columbia, territory or foreign country to practice in Kansas; amending K.S.A. 65-6902, 65-6906 and 65-6907 and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 186, AN ACT concerning criminal procedure; relating to affidavits or sworn testimony in support of probable cause; requiring such information to be made available to law enforcement; amending K.S.A. 22-2302 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

Sub SB 197, AN ACT concerning the STAR bonds financing act; relating to STAR bond project district requirements; authorizing redevelopment of certain mall facilities as eligible STAR bond projects; authorizing the secretary of commerce to approve vertical construction within certain STAR bond project districts; requiring all businesses located in a STAR bond project district to provide visitor data to the secretary of commerce on a quarterly basis instead of an annual basis; requiring the secretary to make certain information concerning STAR bond projects publicly available on the website of the department of commerce; prohibiting state general fund moneys from being pledged for the repayment of any special obligation bond issued by a city or county to finance a STAR bond project; prohibiting a city or county from using eminent domain to acquire real property for a STAR bond project; extending the expiration date of the STAR bonds financing act to July 1, 2028; amending K.S.A. 12-17,160, 12-17,166, 12-17,172 and 12-17,179 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 12-17,162 and 12-17,169 and repealing the existing sections.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 32; Nays 8; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Owens, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Erickson, Gossage, Murphy, Peck, Shallenburger, Shane, Thompson, Tyson.

The substitute bill passed, as amended.

SB 204, AN ACT concerning court records; relating to records in criminal and juvenile offender cases; requiring the sealing of certain records related to case

information, warrants and subpoenas; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 60-2617 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 227, AN ACT concerning economic development; relating to the tax credit for qualified expenditures for the restoration and preservation of historic structures; providing for different credit percentages based on city populations of more than 50,000 or 50,000 or less and the amount of expenditures; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-32,211 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 31; Nays 9; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Owens, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Titus, Ware.

Nays: Bowser, Erickson, Gossage, Murphy, Peck, Shane, Thompson, Tyson, Warren.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 241, AN ACT concerning restraint of trade; relating to restrictive covenants; providing that certain restrictive covenants are not considered a restraint of trade and shall be enforceable; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 50-163 and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 40; Nays 0; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Tyson, Ware, Warren.

The bill passed.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

I vote Yes on **SB 241**. While I voted to support the bill, I understand there are ongoing conversations among stakeholders to refine some of the language to ensure employees are protected. I am hopeful these conversations will bear fruit and the bill can be made even better as it works through the process.—ETHAN CORSON

Senator Ware requests the record to show that she concurs with the “Explanation of Vote” offered by Senator Corson on **SB 241**.

SB 244, AN ACT concerning release prior to trial; minimum appearance bond premium; prohibiting a compensated surety from making a loan for certain portions of the minimum appearance bond premium required; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 22-

2809b and repealing the existing section.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 37; Nays 3; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, Bowser, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Thompson, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Haley, Schmidt, Tyson.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 250, AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to treatments for life-threatening illnesses; enacting the right to try for individualized treatments act to permit certain manufacturers to make individualized investigative treatments available to eligible requesting patients.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 36; Nays 4; Present and Passing 0; Absent or Not Voting 0.

Yeas: Alley, Argabright, Billinger, Blasi, Blew, Bowers, J.R. Claeys, Joseph Claeys, Clifford, Corson, Dietrich, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Holscher, Klemp, Kloos, Masterson, Murphy, Owens, Petersen, Pettey, Rose, Ryckman, Schmidt, Shallenburger, Shane, Starnes, Sykes, Thomas, Titus, Ware, Warren.

Nays: Bowser, Peck, Thompson, Tyson.

The bill passed.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

I completely understand the logic and reason for this bill and empathize with those who are desperate for a cure for a loved one whose life is in jeopardy. However, this bill provides a dangerous opportunity for easy implementation of legalized marijuana in Kansas. Legalized marijuana brings drug cartels, human and sex trafficking, a massive increase in emergency room visits for marijuana related hyperemesis, psychosis, schizophrenia, suicide and underage use of illicit drugs. Recent studies show that underage use of marijuana causes brain development issues, lowering of IQ, and irreversible mental problems. It has also been shown that using marijuana ostensibly for treatment on PTSD invariably hinders the recovery process and harms veterans who have been led to believe marijuana is a miracle drug. So far, Kansans have been smart enough to understand the myriad of ills marijuana would unleash in this state. I would love to support this bill...but given the potential that it could be easily amended in the future to allow a pathway for the myriad problems with legalizing marijuana to metastasize here in Kansas...I cannot in good conscience support it. I vote "no".—MIKE THOMPSON

Senator Peck requests the record to show he concurs with the "Explanation of Vote" offered by Senator Thompson on **SB 250**.

REPORT ON ENROLLED BILLS, CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

SR 1710 reported correctly enrolled, properly signed and presented to the Secretary of the Senate on February 19, 2025.

On motion of Senator Blasi, the Senate adjourned pro forma until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, February 20, 2025.

CHARLENE BAILEY, CINDY SHEPARD, *Journal Clerks*.

COREY CARNAHAN, *Secretary of the Senate*.

