Journal of the House

FORTY-FIRST DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TOPEKA, KS, Thursday, March 12, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

The House met pursuant to adjournment with Speaker pro tempore Carpenter in the chair.

The roll was called with 119 members present.
Rep. Blex was excused on verified illness.
Rep. White was excused on legislative business.
Reps. VanHouden, Winn and Wolf were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.
Excused later: Rep. Alcala.

Prayer by Chaplain Holmes:

> Dear Father, I Thank You for the blessings and grace You have bestowed on each Representative gathered in this chamber. I praise You for the wisdom supplied in these days of deliberation and debate.
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> From the Book of Isaiah we learn, "The steadfast of mind Thou wilt keep in perfect peace, because they trust in You. Trust in the Lord forever, for in God the Lord we have an everlasting rock."
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> Refresh our minds, that we might think clearly. Keep us steadfast in the pursuit of truth, that we might enjoy Your perfect peace. Build trust into the very fabric of our being, that we might serve with distinction. When doubts assail our thoughts, help us remember, You are a rock we can lean on.
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> I pray for the health and protection of families as they carry on while sharing their loved ones with the entire State of Kansas. "As their days are, might their strength be also."
>
> In Jesus Name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Butler.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were referred to committees as indicated:

Education: **SB 263, SB 339, SB 419**.
Higher Education Budget: **HB 2798**.
Taxation: **SB 498**.
Transportation: **SB 404**.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The Senate concurs in House amendments to **SB 299**, and requests return of the bill.

The Senate nonconcurs in House amendments to **SB 300**, requests a conference and has appointed Senators Dietrich, Fagg and Miller as conferees on the part of the Senate.

The Senate nonconcurs in House amendments to **SB 331**, requests a conference and has appointed Senators Dietrich, Fagg and Miller as conferees on the part of the Senate.

The Senate nonconcurs in House amendments to **SB 410**, requests a conference and has appointed Senators Dietrich, Fagg and Miller as conferees on the part of the Senate.

The Senate nonconcurs in House amendments to **SB 412**, requests a conference and has appointed Senators Dietrich, Fagg and Miller as conferees on the part of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS

On motion of Rep. Croft, the House acceded to the request of the Senate for a conference on **SB 300**.

Speaker pro tempore Carpenter thereupon appointed Reps. Hoheisel, Stiens and Xu as conferees on the part of the House.

On motion of Rep. Croft, the House acceded to the request of the Senate for a conference on **SB 331**.

Speaker pro tempore Carpenter thereupon appointed Reps. Hoheisel, Stiens and Xu as conferees on the part of the House.

On motion of Rep. Croft, the House acceded to the request of the Senate for a conference on **SB 410**.

Speaker pro tempore Carpenter thereupon appointed Reps. Hoheisel, Stiens and Xu as conferees on the part of the House.

On motion of Rep. Croft, the House acceded to the request of the Senate for a conference on **SB 412**.

Speaker pro tempore Carpenter thereupon appointed Reps. Hoheisel, Stiens and Xu as conferees on the part of the House.

CONSENT CALENDAR

No objection was made to **SB 473** appearing on the Consent Calendar for the first day.

No objection was made to **HB 2781** appearing on the Consent Calendar for the second day.

FINAL ACTION ON BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

HB 2769, AN ACT concerning property taxation; relating to budgets and expenditures for public services established by governing bodies of subordinate service taxing areas; requiring members appointed to governing bodies be residents of such taxing area, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 94; Nays 25; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 5.

Yeas: Amyx, Anderson, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, Carlin, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Droge, Ellis, Esau,

Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Haskins, Hawkins, Helgerson, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, McDonald, McNorton, Melton, Moser, Neelly, Neighbor, Pickert, Pishny, Poetter, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Roeser, Roth, Sanders, Sappington, Sawyer, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Stogsdill, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Turner, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson, Woodard.

Nays: Alcala, Boatman, Paige, Carmichael, Carr, Featherston, Hoye, Martinez, Meyer, Minnix, Mosley, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Ousley, Poskin, Rhiley, Ruiz, L., Ruiz, S., Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Simmons, Vaughn, Wikle, Xu.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The bill passed, as amended.

H Sub for SB 229, AN ACT concerning labor and employment; relating to the employment security law; providing amendments, suspensions or repeals of employment security law provisions should follow specified review procedures by legislative committees of both houses; authorizing the secretary of labor to recognize and approve employer-sponsored supplemental unemployment benefit plans if such plans meet specific criteria, including compliance with federal guidance and being employer funded; ensuring that supplemental unemployment benefit plans do not disqualify employees from state unemployment benefits; requiring the secretary to maintain a registry of authorized plans and monitor the impact of such plans on the employment security trust fund; updating terminology and reorganizing sections for improved readability and compliance; enhancing federal conformity by incorporating references to federal laws and guidelines; integrating supplemental unemployment benefit plans into the current statutory framework; authorizing the secretary to adopt rules and regulations for supplemental unemployment benefits; updating provisions pertaining to temporary unemployment benefits and benefit exhaustion; providing that such benefits may extend for up to eight weeks; refining rate table and experience-rating provisions; discontinuing certain debt-relief provisions for negative balance employers; updating provisions for determining suitable work and disqualification conditions for unemployment benefits; enhancing electronic filing provisions; updating and clarifying certain definitions; providing for certain publication and data reporting duties of the secretary; clarifying criminal provisions and penalties for fraud; consolidating provisions of the employment security insurance act for domestic violence survivors and repealing redundant sections; amending K.S.A. 44-701, 44-702, 44-704a, 44-704b, 44-710d, 44-710e, 44-710f, 44-710i, 44-711, 44-712, 44-713, 44-713a, 44-714, 44-715, 44-716, 44-716a, 44-718, 44-719, 44-720, 44-721, 44-722, 44-723, 44-724, 44-725, 44-727, 44-758, 44-760, 44-765, 44-766, 44-767, 44-768, 44-769, 44-770, 44-773 and 44-777 and K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 44-703, 44-704, 44-705, 44-706, 44-710, 44-710a, 44-710b, 44-717, 44-772, 44-774, 44-775 and 79-3234 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 44-706a, 44-761, 44-762, 44-763 and 44-764, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 83; Nays 36; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 5.

Yeas: Anderson, Awerkamp, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Delperdang, Droge, Ellis, Esau, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Hawkins, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, McNorton, Minnix, Moser, Neelly, Pickert, Pishny, Poetter, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Rhiley, Roeser, Roth, Sanders, Sappington, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Turner, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson.

Nays: Alcala, Amyx, Ballard, Boatman, Paige, Carlin, Carmichael, Carr, Curtis, Featherston, Haskins, Helgerson, Hoye, Martinez, McDonald, Melton, Meyer, Mosley, Neighbor, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Ousley, Poskin, Ruiz, L., Ruiz, S., Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Simmons, Stogsdill, Vaughn, Weigel, Wikle, Woodard, Xu.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The Sub bill passed, as amended.

SB 271, AN ACT concerning the state children's health insurance program; relating to eligibility; updating income requirements therefor; amending K.S.A. 38-2001 and repealing the existing section, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 119; Nays 0; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 5.

Yeas: Alcala, Amyx, Anderson, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom, Boatman, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Paige, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, Carlin, Carmichael, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Carr, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Droge, Ellis, Esau, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Featherston, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Haskins, Hawkins, Helgerson, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Hoye, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, Martinez, McDonald, McNorton, Melton, Meyer, Minnix, Moser, Mosley, Neelly, Neighbor, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Ousley, Pickert, Pishny, Poetter, Poskin, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Rhiley, Roeser, Roth, Ruiz, L., Ruiz, S., Sanders, Sappington, Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Simmons, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Stogsdill, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Turner, Vaughn, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wikle, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson, Woodard, Xu.

Nays: None.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 430, AN ACT concerning health and health professions; relating to physical therapists; allowing licensed physical therapists to perform certain capillary blood tests, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 101; Nays 18; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 5.

Yeas: Amyx, Anderson, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom,

Boatman, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Ellis, Esau, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Featherston, Francis, Goddard, Goetz, Haskins, Hawkins, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Hoye, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, Martinez, McDonald, McNorton, Meyer, Minnix, Moser, Neelly, Neighbor, Pickert, Pishny, Poetter, Poskin, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Rhiley, Roeser, Roth, Ruiz, S., Sanders, Sappington, Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Simmons, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Stogsdill, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Vaughn, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Wikle, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson, Woodard, Xu.

Nays: Alcala, Paige, Carlin, Carmichael, Carr, Droge, Gardner, Helgerson, Melton, Mosley, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Ousley, Ruiz, L., Turner, Weigel, Wilborn.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The bill passed, as amended.

MOTIONS TO CONCUR AND NONCONCUR

On motion of Rep. Estes, the House nonconcurred in Senate amendments to **HB 2468** and asked for a conference.

Speaker pro tempore Carpenter thereupon appointed Reps. Estes, Chauncey and Stogsdill as conferees on the part of the House.

On motion of Rep. Waymaster, the House nonconcurred in Senate amendments to **HB 2513** and asked for a conference.

Speaker pro tempore Carpenter thereupon appointed Reps. Waymaster, Williams, K. and Ballard as conferees on the part of the House.

On motion of Rep. Croft, the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole, with Rep. Hoffman in the chair.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On motion of Rep. Hoffman, Committee of the Whole report, as follows, was adopted:

Recommended that Committee report to **SCR 1616** be adopted;

Also, roll call was demanded on motion of Rep. Sawyer Clayton to amend **SCR 1616**, As Amended by House Committee, on page 1, by striking all in lines 7 through 10; in line 19, by striking "limitation;";

On page 2, in line 12, by striking "$11^{1}/_{2}$%" and inserting "9%";

On page 3, by striking all in lines 13 through 43;

On page 4, by striking all in lines 1 through 13; in line 24, by striking all after the period; by striking all in lines 25 through 34; in line 35, by striking all before the period and inserting "This amendment would decrease the assessed valuation in determining property taxes for real property used for residential purposes"; in line 36, by striking all after "would"; by striking all in lines 37 through 43;

On page 5, by striking all in lines 1 through 25; in line 26, by striking "limitation" and inserting "decrease the assessed valuation in determining property taxes for real property used for residential purposes from $11^{1}/_{2}$% to 9%";

On page 1, in the title, in line 2, by striking all after "to"; by striking all in lines 3 and 4; in line 5, by striking "purposes" and inserting "assessed valuation of property in determining property taxes for real property used for residential purposes and real property necessary to accommodate a residential community of mobile or manufactured homes"

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 37; Nays 78; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 9.

Yeas: Alcala, Amyx, Ballard, Boatman, Paige, Carlin, Carmichael, Carr, Curtis, Delperdang, Featherston, Haskins, Helgerson, Hoye, Martinez, McDonald, Melton, Meyer, Mosley, Neighbor, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Ousley, Poskin, Ruiz, L., Ruiz, S., Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Simmons, Stogsdill, Vaughn, Weigel, Wikle, Woodard, Xu.

Nays: Anderson, Awerkamp, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom, Borjon, Brantley, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Droge, Ellis, Esau, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Hawkins, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, McNorton, Minnix, Moser, Neelly, Pickert, Pishny, Poetter, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Rhiley, Roeser, Roth, Sanders, Sappington, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Sutton, Sweely, Turk, Turner, Waggoner, Ward, Waymaster, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Blex, Bohi, Howerton, Tarwater, VanHouden, Wasinger, White, Winn, Wolf.

The motion of Rep. Sawyer Clayton to amend did not prevail.

Also, on motion of Rep. Caiharr to amend, the motion did not prevail;
and the motion to recommend **SCR 1616** for adoption, failed.

Committee report to **HB 2788** be adopted; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee report to **SB 325** be adopted; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee report to **SB 353** be adopted; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee report to **SB 403** be adopted; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee report to **SB 435** be adopted; and the bill be passed as amended.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

On emergency motion of Rep. Croft pursuant to House Rule 2311, **HB 2788**, **SB 325**, **SB 353**, **SB 403** and **SB 435** were advanced to Final Action on Bills and Concurrent Resolutions.

FINAL ACTION ON BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

HB 2788, AN ACT concerning the department for children and families; establishing a business enterprise program oversight task force; providing for the membership, duties and dissolution of such task force; requiring the task force to submit a report to the legislature; permitting an audit of the business enterprise program; naming the existing program as the business enterprise program and renaming the vending facilities advisory committee to the committee of blind vendors; establishing the business

enterprise program fund in the state treasury and transferring moneys to such fund from the vending facilities account outside the state treasury; requiring the secretary to provide notice to the committee when rejecting input thereof; providing requirements for the election of members of the committee; amending K.S.A. 75-3337, 75-3339a, 75-3340 and 75-3343 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 117; Nays 1; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 6.

Yeas: Amyx, Anderson, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom, Boatman, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Paige, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, Carlin, Carmichael, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Carr, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Droge, Ellis, Esau, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Featherston, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Haskins, Hawkins, Helgerson, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Hoye, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, Martinez, McDonald, McNorton, Melton, Meyer, Minnix, Moser, Mosley, Neelly, Neighbor, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Ousley, Pickert, Pishny, Poskin, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Rhiley, Roeser, Roth, Ruiz, L., Ruiz, S., Sanders, Sappington, Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Simmons, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Stogsdill, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Turner, Vaughn, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wikle, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson, Woodard, Xu.

Nays: Poetter.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Alcala, Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 325, AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to license plates; restricting the use of material or objects covering a license plate; amending K.S.A. 8-133 and 8-15,110 and repealing the existing sections, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 105; Nays 13; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 6.

Yeas: Amyx, Anderson, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Paige, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, Carlin, Carmichael, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Droge, Ellis, Esau, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Haskins, Hawkins, Helgerson, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, Martinez, McDonald, McNorton, Melton, Minnix, Moser, Neelly, Neighbor, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Pickert, Pishny, Poskin, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Rhiley, Roeser, Roth, Ruiz, L., Sanders, Sappington, Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Steele, Stiens, Stogsdill, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Turner, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wikle, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson, Woodard, Xu.

Nays: Boatman, Carr, Featherston, Hoye, Meyer, Mosley, Ousley, Poetter, Ruiz, S., Simmons, Smith, A., Smith, C., Vaughn.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Alcala, Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 353, AN ACT designating the official Kansas railroad hall of fame for the purpose of celebrating the rich railroad heritage of Kansas and the Kansans who were and are leaders in such industry; setting the location of such hall of fame at the great plains transportation museum in Wichita; establishing the Kansas railroad hall of fame selection committee; prescribing powers and duties of the committee, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 114; Nays 4; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 6.

Yeas: Amyx, Anderson, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom, Boatman, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Paige, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, Carlin, Carmichael, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Carr, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Droge, Ellis, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Featherston, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Haskins, Hawkins, Helgerson, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Hoye, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, Martinez, McDonald, McNorton, Melton, Meyer, Minnix, Moser, Mosley, Neelly, Neighbor, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Ousley, Pickert, Pishny, Poskin, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Roeser, Roth, Ruiz, L., Ruiz, S., Sanders, Sappington, Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Schmoe, Schreiber, Seiwert, Simmons, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Stogsdill, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Turner, Vaughn, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wikle, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson, Woodard, Xu.

Nays: Esau, Poetter, Rhiley, Schwertfeger.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Alcala, Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 403, AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to distinctive license plates; providing for the pheasants forever and quail forever and delta waterfowl license plates, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 105; Nays 13; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 6.

Yeas: Amyx, Anderson, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barrett, Bergquist, Bloom, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Paige, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, Carlin, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Droge, Ellis, Esau, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Featherston, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Haskins, Hawkins, Helgerson, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Hoye, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, Martinez, McDonald, McNorton, Melton, Minnix, Moser, Neelly, Neighbor, Ohaebosim, Osman, Pickert, Pishny, Poetter, Poskin, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Rhiley, Roeser, Roth, Sanders, Sappington, Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Simmons, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Stogsdill, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Turner, Vaughn, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson.

Nays: Bergkamp, Boatman, Carmichael, Carr, Meyer, Mosley, Oropeza, Ousley, Ruiz, L., Ruiz, S., Wikle, Woodard, Xu.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Alcala, Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The bill passed, as amended.

SB 435, AN ACT concerning retirement and pensions; relating to the Kansas public employees retirement system and systems thereunder; authorizing the board of trustees to elect the vice chairperson of the board; requiring newly affiliated employers of the Kansas police and firemen's retirement system to contribute at the actuarial required rate for past and future service; repealing certain working after retirement statutes for state and local elected officials; amending K.S.A. 74-4967 and K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 74-4905 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 74-4915b and 74-4915c, was considered on final action.

On roll call, the vote was: Yeas 118; Nays 0; Present but not voting: 0; Absent or not voting: 6.

Yeas: Amyx, Anderson, Awerkamp, Ballard, Barrett, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Bloom, Boatman, Bohi, Borjon, Brantley, Paige, Brunk, Bryce, Buehler, Butler, Caiharr, Carlin, Carmichael, B. Carpenter, W. Carpenter, Carr, Chauncey, Collins, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Droge, Ellis, Esau, Essex, Estes, Fairchild, Featherston, Francis, Gardner, Goddard, Goetz, Haskins, Hawkins, Helgerson, Helwig, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Howe, Howell, Howerton, Hoye, Huebert, Humphries, James, T. Johnson, Kessler, King, Lewis, Long, Martinez, McDonald, McNorton, Melton, Meyer, Minnix, Moser, Mosley, Neelly, Neighbor, Ohaebosim, Oropeza, Osman, Ousley, Pickert, Pishny, Poetter, Poskin, Proctor, Rahjes, Reavis, Rhiley, Roeser, Roth, Ruiz, L., Ruiz, S., Sanders, Sappington, Sawyer, Clayton, Schlingensiepen, Schmoe, Schreiber, Schwertfeger, Seiwert, Simmons, Smith, A., Smith, C., Steele, Stiens, Stogsdill, Sutton, Sweely, Tarwater, Turk, Turner, Vaughn, Waggoner, Ward, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wikle, Wilborn, Willcott, Williams, K., Williams, L., Wilson, Woodard, Xu.

Nays: None.

Present but not voting: None.

Absent or not voting: Alcala, Blex, VanHouden, White, Winn, Wolf.

The bill passed, as amended.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on **Education** recommends **SB 361** be amended on page 4, in line 40, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Elections** recommends **SB 451** be amended by substituting with a new bill to be designated as "House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 451," as follows:

"House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 451

By Committee on Elections

"AN ACT concerning elections; relating to campaign finance; requiring treasurers of candidates and persons who promote or oppose the adoption of constitutional amendments to report lists of small donors to the public disclosure commission; specifying the allocation of contributions between primary and general elections; relating to the use of public assets for campaign finance; prohibiting the use of such assets to advocate for or against state constitutional amendments and any other ballot question submitted to qualified electors; requiring detailed fiscal information to be part of any informational statement concerning a proposed bond issue; requiring treasurer reports to include the products and services provided by vendors that are paid by an advertising agency, public relations firm or political consultant from a campaign account expenditure; amending K.S.A. 25-4148, 25-4149 and 25-4169a and K.S.A.

2025 Supp. 25-4180 and repealing the existing sections.";

And the substitute bill be passed.

(**H Sub for SB 451** was thereupon introduced and read by title.)

Committee on **Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications** recommends **SB 380**, As Amended by Senate Committee, be amended on page 1, in line 18, by striking all after "(3)"; in line 19, by striking all before "engaged" and inserting ""Utility" means any investor-owned electric utility"; in line 21, by striking "retail electric supplier" and inserting "utility"; in line 25, by striking "retail electric supplier's" and inserting "utility's"; in line 27, by striking "retail electric supplier" and inserting "utility"; in line 29, by striking "retail electric supplier" and inserting "utility, except that a utility may recover, subject to any prudence disallowance ordered by the state corporation commission, any costs or expenses incurred by the utility for facilities necessary to provide retail electric service to any fast charging station that is provided, owned, operated or maintained by a retail customer of such utility"; in line 33, by striking all before "prior" and inserting "utility"; also in line 33, by striking "or"; in line 35, by striking "retail electric supplier" and inserting "utility"; in line 36, by striking "retail electric supplier" and inserting "utility";

On page 2, in line 1, by striking all before "employees" and inserting "utility's"; also in line 1, after "employees" by inserting "; or

(3) is required to be owned or operated by a retail electric supplier pursuant to federal or state law or an order of the state corporation commission";

Also on page 2, in line 2, by striking all after "(e)"; by striking all in lines 3 through 10; in line 11, by striking all before the period and inserting "This section shall expire on July 1, 2036";

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, by striking "retail electric suppliers" and inserting "electric public utilities"; in line 2, by striking "retail electric suppliers" and inserting "certain electric public utilities"; in line 6, by striking "retail electric supplier" and inserting "utility"; also in line 6, by striking all after the second "the" and inserting "utility's"; in line 7, after "rates" by inserting ", except for costs and expenses to provide the retail electric service necessary for a customer's fast charging station; establishing an expiration date"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Federal and State Affairs** recommends **SB 356** be amended by substituting with a new bill to be designated as "House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 356," as follows:

"House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 356

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

"AN ACT concerning firearms; relating to civil liability; providing for immunity from civil liability to federal firearms licensees for returning a firearm to the firearm owner at the termination of a firearm hold agreement.";

And the substitute bill be passed.

(**Sub Bill for SB 356** was thereupon introduced and read by title.)

Committee on **Insurance** recommends **SB 55**, As Amended by Senate Committee, be passed.

Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **SB 398** be amended on page 1, in line 10, by striking the first "the" and inserting "a"; also in line 10, by striking the second "the"; in line 11, by striking all after "of"; in line 12, by striking all before the colon and inserting

"an opinion is limited to one that is"; in line 14, by striking "a clearer" and inserting "clearly"; also in line 14, by striking the first "of"; in line 15, after "witness" by inserting "or determining a fact in issue"; in line 21, by striking "thereto";

Also on page 1, in the title, in line 2, by striking "or inferences"; in line 4, by striking "tier" and inserting "trier"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **SB 426**, As Amended by Senate Committee, be amended on page 2, in line 1, after "and" by inserting "is"; in line 2, by striking "state" and inserting "estate"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **SB 462**, As Amended by Senate Committee, be amended on page 1, in line 9, by striking "New"; also in line 9, after "(a)" by inserting "(1)"; in line 10, by striking "nonexclusive list of"; in line 13, by striking "(1)" and inserting "(A)"; in line 19, after "law" by inserting "unless such action or condition is alleged to have resulted from negligent conduct"; following line 23, by inserting:

"(2) Nothing in paragraph (1)(A) shall preclude claims or causes of action based on other theories of tort liability, including, but not limited to, product liability, consumer protection, design, labeling or marketing.";

Also on page 1, in line 24, by striking "(1)"; in line 26, by striking all after the third "the"; by striking all in lines 28 through 36;

On page 2, by striking all in lines 1 through 7; in line 22, before "A" by inserting "(1) A public nuisance claim may be brought by a political subdivision of the state if the alleged public nuisance is wholly contained within the jurisdiction of such political subdivision.

(2) If the alleged public nuisance is not wholly contained within a political subdivision of the state, the attorney general is the only governmental official or agency in this state that may file a claim regarding such public nuisance unless the attorney general delegates in writing authorization to one or more political subdivisions of the state to file a claim regarding such public nuisance.

(3)";

Also on page 2, also in line 22, before "the" by inserting "a political subdivision or"; in line 28, by striking all after the period; by striking all in lines 29 through 37; in line 38, by striking all before "A"; in line 42, by striking all after the period; by striking all in line 43;

On page 3, by striking all in line 1; in line 2, by striking "thereto."; in line 15, by striking all after the period; by striking all in lines 16 through 22;

And by redesignating subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs and clauses accordingly;

Also on page 3, by striking all in lines 30 through 43;

By striking all on page 4;

On page 5, by striking all in lines 1 through 10;

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 3, before "requiring" by inserting "providing that only the attorney general may file claims regarding public nuisances that are not wholly contained in one political subdivision unless the attorney general delegates authorization to one or more political subdivisions of the state to file such claims;"; in line 4, by striking all after "actions"; by striking all in line 5; in line 6, by striking all before the period; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **SB 480**, As Amended by Senate Committee of the Whole, be amended on page 1, following line 5, by inserting:

"Section 1. K.S.A. 59-1706 is hereby amended to read as follows: 59-1706. Every nonresident appointed as a fiduciary in this state, before entering upon the duties of the trust, shall appoint in writing an agent residing in ~~the county where the appointment is made~~ this state. By such writing, the nonresident fiduciary consents that the service of any notice or process upon such agent shall have the same force and effect as personal service upon the fiduciary within ~~such county and~~ this state. Such writing shall state the correct address of such agent and shall be filed in the district court where such appointment is made. Such writing shall include written acceptance of such appointment by the designated agent. Service of notice or process upon such agent shall have the same force and effect as personal service upon the fiduciary.";

On page 5, in line 35, after "K.S.A." by inserting "59-1706,";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, after the first semicolon by inserting "requiring nonresident fiduciaries to appoint an agent residing in this state;"; also in line 1, after the second semicolon by inserting "amending K.S.A. 59-1706 and repealing the existing section;"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Committee on **Insurance** recommends **SB 422**, As Amended by Senate Committee, be passed.

Committee on **Legislative Modernization** recommends **SB 51** be amended by substituting with a new bill to be designated as "House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 51," as follows:

"House Substitute for SENATE BILL NO. 51
By Committee on Legislative Modernization

"AN ACT concerning information technology; relating to services provided by the chief information technology officer; authorizing the chief information security officer to receive audit reports; authorizing the office of information technology services to provide certain services to political subdivisions and hospitals; amending K.S.A. 46-1135, 75-4704, 75-4705, 75-4709 and 75-4714 and K.S.A. 2025 Supp. 75-7205 and repealing the existing sections.";

And the substitute bill be passed.

(**Sub Bill for SB 51** was thereupon introduced and read by title.)

MOTIONS TO CONCUR AND NONCONCUR

On motion of Rep. Humphries, the House nonconcurred in Senate amendments to **HB 2422** and asked for a conference.

Speaker pro tempore Carpenter thereupon appointed Reps. Humphries, Williams, L. and Osman as conferees on the part of the House.

On motion of Rep. Humphries, the House nonconcurred in Senate amendments to **HB 2479** and asked for a conference.

Speaker pro tempore Carpenter thereupon appointed Reps. Humphries, Williams, L. and Osman as conferees on the part of the House.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Speaker pro tempore announced the appointment of Rep. Bohi to replace Rep. Wolf on Committee on Education on March 13, 2026.

Also, the appointment of Rep. Moser to replace Rep. Rhiley on Committee on Higher Education Budget on March 12, 2026.

Also, the appointment of Rep. McDonald to replace Rep. Winn on Committee on Education on March 12, 2026.

Also, the appointment of Rep. McDonald to replace Rep. L. Ruiz on Committee on Education on March 13, 2026.

Also, the appointment of Rep. Wikle to replace Rep. Brownlee Paige on Committee on Welfare Reform on March 12, 2026.

Also, the appointment of Rep. Meyer to replace Rep. Simmons on Committee on Welfare Reform on March 12, 2026.

Also, the appointment of Rep. Woodard to replace Rep. Sawyer on Committee on Higher Education Budget on March 12, 2026.

Also, the appointment of Rep. Hoye to replace Rep. Alcala on Committee on Taxation on March 12, 2026.

Also, the appointment of Rep. Curtis to replace Rep. Osman on Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development on March 12, 2026.

REPORT ON ENGROSSED BILLS

HB 2769 reported correctly engrossed March 11, 2026.

REPORT ON ENROLLED RESOLUTIONS

HR 6035 reported correctly enrolled and properly signed on March 12, 2026.

On motion of Rep. Croft the House adjourned pro forma until 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 13, 2026.

JENNY HAUGH, JULIA WERNER, *Journal Clerks.*

SUSAN W. KANNARR, *Chief Clerk.*