HOUSE BILL No. 2148

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning the state capitol and grounds; relating to preservation.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. This act shall be known as the capitol preservation act.

- Sec. 2. (a) There is hereby created a house capitol preservation committee. The committee shall consist of five members as follows: The state architect, the executive director of the Kansas historical society or such designee, two members appointed by the speaker of the house and one member appointed by the house minority leader. The speaker of the house shall appoint the chairperson of the committee. The committee shall meet at least annually and more often upon call of the chairperson.
- (b) The committee shall have oversight responsibility for the house of representatives chambers on the third floor of the state capitol and the common areas or environs of the chambers including the common areas or environs of such chambers on the forth and fifth floors and the house leadership offices. The committee shall have the following responsibilities:
- (1) Approve all proposals for renovation or reconstruction of such areas to insure the historical beauty of the areas are preserved;
 - (2) preserve the proper decor of such areas; and
- (3) assure that any art or artistic displays are historically accurate and have historic significance.
- Sec. 3. (a) There is hereby created a senate capitol preservation committee. The committee shall consist of five members as follows: The state architect, the executive director of the Kansas historical society or such designee, two members appointed by the president of the senate and one member appointed by the senate minority leader. The president of the senate shall appoint the chairperson of the committee. The committee shall meet at least annually and more often upon call of the chairperson.
- (b) The committee shall have oversight responsibility for the senate chambers on the third floor of the state capitol and the common areas or environs of the chambers including the common areas or environs of such chambers on the third and forth floors, the senate leadership offices and the cage elevator area on the third floor. The committee shall have the

 following responsibilities:

- (1) Approve all proposals for renovation or reconstruction of such areas to insure the historical beauty of the areas are preserved;
 - (2) preserve the proper decor of such areas; and
- (3) assure that any art or artistic displays are historically accurate and have historic significance.
 - Sec. 4. (a) There is hereby created a governor's capitol preservation committee. The committee shall consist of five members as follows: The state architect, the chief justice or such designee, the secretary of state or such designee, two members appointed by the governor. The governor shall appoint the chairperson of the committee. The committee shall meet at least annually and more often upon call of the chairperson.
 - (b) The committee shall have oversight responsibility for the governor's offices and lieutenant governor's offices on the second floor of the state capitol and the common areas or environs of such offices including the the cage elevator area on the second floor and the old supreme court room on the third floor. The committee shall have the following responsibilities:
- (1) Approve all proposals for renovation or reconstruction of such areas to insure the historical beauty of the areas are preserved;
 - (2) preserve the proper decor of such areas; and
- (3) assure that any art or artistic displays are historically accurate and have historic significance.
- Sec. 5. (a) There is hereby created a capitol preservation committee which will include the membership of the following: The house preservation committee as provided in section 2, and amendments thereto, the senate preservation committee as provided in section 3, and amendments thereto, and the governor's preservation committee as provided in section 4, and amendments thereto. The governor shall appoint the chair of the committee. The committee shall meet at least annually and more often upon call of the chairperson.
 - (b) The committee shall have the following responsibilities:
- (1) Approve all proposals for renovation or reconstruction of all areas of the state capitol not under the jurisdiction of three committees making up the membership of the capitol preservation committee, the capitol's visitor center and the grounds surrounding the state capitol to insure that the historical beauty of the areas are preserved;
 - (2) preserve the proper decor of such areas;
- (3) assure that any art or artistic displays are historically accurate and have historic significance;
- (4) the location and types of temporary displays and revolving displays in the state capitol including the visitor center.
- (c) Any permanent displays or monuments proposed to be located on

- the state capitol grounds must be approved by the committee and authorized by the passage of a bill of the state legislature.

 Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
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- publication in the statute book.