

HOUSE BILL No. 2396

By Committee on Appropriations

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9 AN ACT concerning the joint committee on information technology;
10 amending K.S.A. 46-2101 and K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 75-7211 and repeal-
11 ing the existing sections.
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13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

14 Section 1. K.S.A. 46-2101 is hereby amended to read as follows: 46-
15 2101. (a) There is hereby established the joint committee on information
16 technology which shall be within the legislative branch of state govern-
17 ment and which shall be composed of ~~five~~ *three* members of the senate
18 and ~~five~~ *three* members of the house of representatives. ~~Two~~ *One* of the
19 senate members shall be appointed by the president of the senate, ~~two~~
20 *one* of the senate members shall be appointed by the minority leader of
21 the senate and one of the senate members shall be appointed by the
22 chairperson of the committee on ways and means of the senate. ~~Two~~ *One*
23 of the representative members shall be appointed by the speaker of the
24 house of representatives, ~~two~~ *one* of the representative members shall be
25 appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives and one
26 of the representative members shall be appointed by the chairperson of
27 the committee on appropriations of the house of representatives. ~~The~~
28 ~~members of the joint committee on information technology and the chair-~~
29 ~~person and vice-chairperson serving in such capacities on the effective~~
30 ~~date of this act shall continue serving as members and in such capacities,~~
31 ~~respectively, subject to the other provisions of this section.~~

32 (b) All members of the joint committee on information technology
33 shall serve for terms ending on the first day of the regular legislative
34 session in odd-numbered years. The joint committee shall organize an-
35 nually and elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson in accordance with
36 this subsection. On and after the first day of the regular legislative session
37 in odd-numbered years, the chairperson shall be one of the representative
38 members of the joint committee elected by the members of the joint
39 committee and the vice-chairperson shall be one of the senate members
40 elected by the members of the joint committee and, after the first day of
41 the regular legislative session in even-numbered years, the chairperson
42 shall be one of the senate members of the joint committee elected by the
43 members of the joint committee and the vice-chairperson shall be one of

1 the representative members of the joint committee elected by the mem-
2 bers of the joint committee. The chairperson and vice-chairperson of the
3 joint committee shall serve in such capacities until the first day of the
4 regular legislative session in the ensuing year. The vice-chairperson shall
5 exercise all of the powers of the chairperson in the absence of the chair-
6 person. If a vacancy occurs in the office of chairperson or vice-chairper-
7 son, a member of the joint committee, who is a member of the same
8 house as the member who vacated the office, shall be elected by the
9 members of the joint committee to fill such vacancy.

10 (c) A quorum of the joint committee on information technology shall
11 be ~~six~~ four. All actions of the joint committee shall be taken by a majority
12 of all of the members of the joint committee.

13 (d) The joint committee on information technology may meet at any
14 time and at any place within the state on the call of the chairperson.

15 (e) The provisions of the acts contained in article 12 of chapter 46 of
16 the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, applicable to
17 special committees shall apply to the joint committee on information
18 technology to the extent that the same do not conflict with the specific
19 provisions of this act applicable to the joint committee.

20 (f) In accordance with K.S.A. 46-1204 and amendments thereto, the
21 legislative coordinating council may provide for such professional services
22 as may be requested by the joint committee on information technology.

23 (g) The joint committee on information technology may introduce
24 such legislation as it deems necessary in performing its functions.

25 ~~(h) (1) On the effective date of this act the joint committee on com-~~
26 ~~puters and telecommunications shall be and is hereby officially designated~~
27 ~~as the joint committee on information technology.~~

28 ~~—(2)— On and after the effective date of this act, whenever the joint~~
29 ~~committee on computers and telecommunications, or words of like effect,~~
30 ~~is referred to or designated by a statute, contract or other document,~~
31 ~~created before the effective date of this act, the reference or designation~~
32 ~~shall mean and apply to the joint committee on information technology.~~

33 ~~—(3)— Nothing in this act shall be construed as abolishing or reestablish-~~
34 ~~ing the joint committee on computers and telecommunications.~~

35 (h) (1) *Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b), the terms of*
36 *members of the joint committee on information technology shall terminate*
37 *on the effective date of this act and new members shall be appointed. The*
38 *first named representative appointed to the committee shall call a meeting*
39 *of the committee during January 2010 for the purpose of electing as chair-*
40 *person one of the senator members of the committee and one of the rep-*
41 *resentative members as vice-chairperson. Thereafter, the appointment of*
42 *members and election of a chairperson and vice-chairperson shall be gov-*
43 *erned by subsection (b).*

1 (2) *Nothing in this act shall be construed as abolishing the joint com-*
2 *mittee on information technology.*

3 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 75-7211 is hereby amended to read as
4 follows: 75-7211. (a) The legislative chief information technology officer,
5 under the direction of the joint committee, shall monitor state agency
6 execution of information technology projects and, at times agreed upon
7 by the three chief information technology officers, shall report progress
8 regarding the implementation of such projects and all proposed expend-
9 itures therefor, including all revisions to such proposed expenditures for
10 the current fiscal year and for ensuing fiscal years.

11 (b) The head of a state agency with primary responsibility for an in-
12 formation technology project may authorize or approve, without prior
13 consultation with the joint committee, any change in planned expendi-
14 tures for an information technology project that would result in the total
15 cost of the project being increased above the currently authorized cost of
16 such project but that increases the total cost of such project by less than
17 the lower of either \$1,000,000 or 10% of the currently authorized cost,
18 and any change in planned expenditures for an information technology
19 project involving a cost reduction, other than a change in the proposed
20 use of any new or replacement information technology equipment or in
21 the use of any existing information technology equipment that has been
22 significantly upgraded.

23 (c) The head of a state agency with primary responsibility for an in-
24 formation technology project shall not authorize or approve, without first
25 advising and consulting with the joint committee any information tech-
26 nology project change or overrun. The joint committee shall report *and*
27 *make recommendations regarding* all such changes and overruns to the
28 senate standing committee on ways and means and the house standing
29 committee on appropriations.

30 (d) *The senate standing committee on ways and means and the house*
31 *standing committee on appropriations shall not recommend appropriation*
32 *of any moneys for any information technology project or any information*
33 *technology project change or overrun until the joint committee has an*
34 *opportunity to make a report and recommendations thereon.*

35 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 46-2101 and K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 75-7211 are hereby
36 repealed.

37 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after Jan-
38 uary 1, 2010, and its publication in the statute book.