

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Federal and State Affairs** recommends **HB 2568** be amended on page 1, in line 12, by striking "division of budget on January 16" and inserting "house of representatives committee on federal and state affairs on February 11"; following line 13, by inserting:

"Sec. 2. (a) For fiscal years 2027 and each fiscal year thereafter, the secretary of wildlife and parks may determine and declare, subject to approval by the Kansas wildlife and parks commission, that any existing motor vehicle fee or any camping, utility or other fee related thereto that has been established through the adoption of rules and regulations shall be increased or decreased.

(b) If the secretary determines to increase a fee pursuant to this section, such increase shall not exceed the amount that was established for the immediately preceding fiscal year plus an amount equal to the average percentage increase in the consumer price index for all urban consumers in the midwest region as published by the bureau of labor statistics for the United States department of labor during the three immediately preceding fiscal years rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount.

(c) If the secretary receives approval by the Kansas wildlife and parks commission to alter a fee pursuant to this section, the secretary shall prepare a statement and notice of alteration of such fee. The statement shall be in writing and specify the designated fee, the factors upon which the decision is based and the date when the fee shall be effective. Such statement shall be posted on the department's official website prior to the effective date of the new fee.

(d) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to article 9 of chapter 32 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated.";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

Also on page 1, in the title, in line 1, by striking "administrative rules and regulations; relating to"; in line 2, after the semicolon by inserting "relating to administrative rules and regulations;"; in line 4, after "department" by inserting "; authorizing the secretary, subject to approval by the Kansas wildlife and parks commission, to alter motor vehicle fees and camping, utility or other fees related thereto in an amount of not to exceed the amount that was established for the immediately preceding fiscal year plus an amount equal to the average percentage increase in the consumer price index during the three immediately preceding fiscal years"; and the bill be passed as amended.

Chairperson