

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on **Judiciary** recommends **SB 459** be amended on page 14, in line 9, after "(C)" by inserting "one member appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate as provided in K.S.A. 75-4315b, and amendments thereto;

(D)";

Also on page 14, also in line 9, after "general" by inserting ", subject to confirmation by the senate as provided in K.S.A. 75-4315b, and amendments thereto,"; in line 10, after the semicolon by inserting "and"; in line 11, by striking "(D)" and inserting "(E)"; also in line 11, by striking all after the first "the"; by striking all in line 12; in line 13, by striking "representatives" and inserting "attorney general, subject to confirmation by the senate as provided in K.S.A. 75-4315b, and amendments thereto"; in line 14, after "(2)" by inserting "Except as provided by K.S.A. 46-2601, and amendments thereto, no person appointed to the board shall exercise any power, duty or function as a member of the board until confirmed by the senate. Not more than three of the five members shall be members of the same political party. The governor shall select one of the board members to serve as chairperson, and the attorney general shall select one of the board members to serve as vice chairperson.

(3) The members of the board shall serve for terms of four years and until their successors are appointed and confirmed, except that:

(A) The members first appointed by the governor shall serve for terms as follows: The member appointed pursuant to paragraph (1)(C) shall serve for a term of one year, the member appointed pursuant to paragraph (1)(B) shall serve for a term of two years and the member

appointed pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) shall serve for a term of three years; and

(B) the members first appointed by the attorney general shall serve for terms as follows:

The member appointed pursuant to paragraph (1)(E) shall serve for a term of one year and the member appointed pursuant to paragraph (1)(D) shall serve for a term of four years.

(4) The terms of the members who are serving on the board on July 1, 2026, shall expire on July 1, 2026.";

Also on page 14, in line 14, by striking all after "have"; in line 15, by striking all before "knowledge";

And by redesignating subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs and clauses accordingly; and the bill be passed as amended.

_____ Chairperson