

2025
SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ACTION INDEX

Bill No.	Description	Author/ Sponsor	Referred	Hearing/ Discussion	Committee Action
SB 51	Providing a sales tax exemption for the construction or remodeling of a qualified data center in Kansas and the purchase of data center equipment, eligible data center costs and certain labor costs to qualified firms that commit to a minimum investment of at least \$250,000,000 and meet new Kansas jobs and other requirements.	Sn Commerce (Brad Smoot on behalf of NetChoice)	1-22-25	Hrg 1-30-25	Be passed 2-13-25
SB 52	Enacting the Kansas film and digital media industry production development act, providing a tax credit and sales tax exemption to incentivize film, video and digital media production in Kansas, establishing a program to be administered by the secretary of commerce for the purpose of developing such production in Kansas and requiring the secretary of commerce to issue reports to the legislature regarding the program.	Sn Commerce (Stuart Little – Grow KS Film)	1-22-25	Hrg 2-4-25	Be passed as amended 2-13-25
SB 95	Providing that the legislature may approve the creation of port authorities by enactment of a bill and authorizing the governing body of the unified government of Wyandotte county and Kansas City, Kansas, to create a port authority Providing that the legislature may approve the creation of port authorities by enactment of a bill and authorizing the governing body of the unified government of Wyandotte county and Kansas City, Kansas, to create a port authority	Senator Haley	1-29-25		No Action
SB 117	Expanding the property tax exemption for Strother field airport property.	Sen Commerce (Mike Taylor)	1-31-25	Hrg 2-12-25	Be passed 2-13-25
SB 153	Establishing the Kansas paid prenatal personal leave act requiring employers to provide 20 hours of paid prenatal personal leave.	Sen Schmidt	2-4-25		No Action
SB 166	Enacting the fostering competitive career opportunities act to remove postsecondary degree requirements from state employment considerations.	Sen Commerce (Andrew Weins)	2-4-25	Hrg 2-10-25	Be passed as amended 2-14-25

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SB 189	Providing injured employees the freedom of choice to designate their healthcare provider and requiring the employer to pay for the services of such healthcare provider with regard to workers compensation.	Sen Sykes, Corson, Francisco, Holscher, Pettesy	2-5-25		No Action
SB 197	Extending the sunset date of the STAR bonds financing act to July 1, 2030.	Sen Commerce (Sen Alley)	2-6-25	Hrg 2-10-25	2-14, 2-17 2-18-25 BP as Sen Sub for SB197
SB 199	Defining the fireworks sales season for seasonal retailers of consumer fireworks and providing for year-round sales by permanent retailers of consumer fireworks, requiring registration with the state fire marshal by such seasonal and permanent retailers, prohibiting internet sales of consumer fireworks, creating the license categories of distributor of display fireworks, distributor of pyrotechnic articles and unlimited distributor and limiting lawful sale of fireworks that are labeled "For Professional Use Only" to certain license categories.	Sen Commerce (Sen Tyson on behalf of Mark Dugan)	2-6-25	Hrg 2-11-25	Be passed as amended 2-13-25
SB 216	Establishing the Kansas paid sick time act, setting accrual, usage and employer obligations regarding earned paid sick time and making it unlawful for employers to retaliate against employees exercising rights under the act.	Sen Corson, Holscher, Pettesy, Schmidt, Sykes	2-6-25		No Action
SB 218	Increasing the Kansas minimum wage of employees.	Sen Corson, Holscher, Pettesy, Schmidt, Sykes	2-6-25		No Action
SB 227	Providing for different credit percentages for the tax credit for expenditures for the restoration and preservation of historic structures based on city populations and the amount of the expenditures.	Sen Commerce (Sen Alley on behalf of Federico/Duer st)	2-7-25	Hrg 2-11-25	Be passed as amended 2-14-25
SB 229	Providing for the termination of all current and new occupational licensing requirements adopted by an agency or enacted by the legislature after five years unless extended by a joint resolution of the legislature, requiring	Sen Commerce (Hollie Catalase)	Re- referred 3-12-25	Hrg 2-12-25	Be passed as amended 3-17-25

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	that adoption of new occupational licensing requirements by a state agency be approved by joint resolution of the legislature and providing for notice to agencies and the legislature and a procedure for legislative review of such occupational licensing requirements				
SB 297	Providing for local government control over wages, compensation and benefits for construction projects.	Sen Fed & State (Sen Thomas on behalf of Kansas AFL-CIO)	3-13-25		No Action
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SCR 1606	Approving the creation of a port authority in Wyandotte County Kansas.	Sen Haley	1-29-25	Hrg 2-12-25	Be passed 2-18-25
SCR 1609	Proposing to amend the Kansas Constitution to repeal section 12 of article 15, regarding membership and nonmembership in labor organizations	Sen Sykes, Corson, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Holcher	2-4-25		No Action
	<u>HOUSE BILLS</u>				
HB 2037	Increasing the membership of the council on travel and tourism, updating the house legislative committee assignment required for council members appointed from the house, equalizing the allocation of funds from the matching grant program for the promotion of tourism for private, public and nonprofit entities and removing the restriction on the percentage of such funds granted to a single entity.	Hs Comm, Labor, & Eco Devo (Rachel Willis Dept of Commerce)	2-5-25	Hrg 2-26-25	Be passed 3-13-25

Bill No.	Description	Author/ Sponsor	Referred	Hearing/ Discussion	Committee Action
HB 2088	Enacting the fast-track permits act to require local governments to meet specified deadlines for issuing building permits and other required approvals for real estate development.	Hs Comm, Labor and Econ Devo (Andrew Wiens OPS)	2-26-25	Hrg 3-5-25	Be passed as amended 3-13-25
HB 2092	Setting the time for professional employer organization registration expiration, renewal and the filing of audits with the secretary of state, limiting the method of providing surety for professional employer organizations with insufficient working capital to bonds and eliminating a market value measure of the sufficiency of such bonds.	Hs Comm, Labor and Econ Devo (Clay Barker, SOS)	2-13-25	Hrg 3-4-25	Be passed and placed on the Consent Calendar 3-5-25
HB 2117	Modifying certain business filing and fee requirements for business trusts, foreign corporations and limited partnerships; authorizing professional corporations or limited liability companies formed or organized to render a professional service to participate in transactions under the business entity transactions act; and making certain information provided by registered agents a public record.	Hs Comm, Labor and Eco Devo (Clay Barker, SOS)	2-20-25	Hrg 3-4-25	Be passed and placed on the Consent Calendar 3-5-25
HB 2119	Eliminating the Kansas affordable housing tax credit act effective July 1, 2025.	Hs Comm, Labor and Eco Devo (Rep Tarwater)	2-20-25	Hrg 3-6-25	Be passed as amended 3-17-25
HB 2291	Creating the regulatory relief division within the office of the attorney general and establishing the general regulatory sandbox program to waive or suspend rules and regulations for program participants.	Hs Comm, Labor and Eco Devo (Rep Penn)	2-28-25	Hrg 3-10-25	Be passed 3-13-25
HB 2338	Authorizing the board of cosmetology to issue temporary location and temporary guest artist permits and establishing criteria therefor.	Hs Comm, Labor and Eco Devo (Rep Proctor)	2-26-25	Hrg 3-11-25 3-12-25	Be passed 3-13-25
HB 2340	Providing for an exemption from remediation costs or other liability from prior commercial pesticide application by the United States army for owners of certain property	Hs Comm, Labor and Eco Devo (Stephen Duerst on	2-26-25	Hrg 3-11-25 3-12-25	Tabled 3-13-25 BPA 3-26-25

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		behalf of Astra Enterprise Park)			
HB 2343	Creating the no-impact home-based business fairness act, supporting the development and growth of such businesses by limiting the regulatory power of municipalities	Hs Comm, Labor and Eco Devo (Rep Turk)	2-26-25	Hrg 3-12-25 3-13-25	Failed on Final Action 3-17-25
HB 2400	Amending the definition of land devoted to agricultural use to include trail rides as a ranching activity to qualify as an agritourism activity.	Hse Tax (Rep Proctor)	3-12-25		No Action
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CONFIRMATIONS:

Appointments:

BUDGET PRESENTATION:

Kansas Department of Commerce Presentation and Hearing 2-27-25 Recommendation to amend 3-3-25