Travel and Tourism Council and Grants; HB 2037

HB 2037 makes changes to the membership of the Council on Travel and Tourism (Council) and a tourism matching grant program (Program).

Council on Travel and Tourism

The bill expands the Council from 17 to 20 members by adding 3 members to be appointed by the Governor representing the National Independent Venue Association, the Kansas Museums Association, and the Kansas Sampler Foundation.

The appointment must be from a list of three individuals submitted by the organization. The nominees of the National Independent Venue Association must be Kansas residents.

Tourism Matching Grant Program

The bill removes a requirement that 75 percent of grants made under the Program be allocated to public or not-for-profit entities and removes the individual entity grant allocation limit of 20 percent.