

Senate Substitute for HOUSE BILL No. 2650

By Committee on Ways and Means

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1 AN ACT concerning geographic information, systems and services;
2 establishing the Kansas geographic information systems policy board
3 and the office of state geographic information systems officer.
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. Sections 1 through 9, and amendments thereto, may be
7 known and cited as the Kansas one map act.

8 Sec. 2. Kansas one map requires the implementation of an overall
9 Kansas land and geographic resources program through the use of a
10 geographic information system which requires cooperative methods for
11 development and maintenance of spatial data between state and local
12 governments in Kansas.

13 Sec. 3. As used in sections 2 through 9, and amendments thereto,
14 unless the context shows otherwise:

15 (a) "Board" means the Kansas geographic information systems policy
16 board.

17 (b) "Geographic information" means data and datasets containing
18 location information including, but not limited to, remotely sensed
19 imagery, global positioning systems files, geospatially referenced
20 computer-aided design files, digital cartographic products, spatially
21 enabled databases, and geospatial datasets locating and describing features
22 and their attributes on, above or under the earth.

23 (c) "Geographic information systems" or "GIS" is an information
24 system capable of capturing, integrating, storing, editing, analyzing,
25 managing, sharing and displaying geographic information. A GIS involves
26 computer hardware, software, networks and applications, as well as the
27 people to operate, develop, administer and use them.

28 (d) "Spatial data" is also known as geospatial data or geographic
29 information and means the data or information that identifies the
30 geographic location of features and boundaries on earth, such as natural or
31 constructed features, oceans and more. Spatial data is usually stored as
32 coordinates and topology and is data that can be mapped. Spatial data is
33 often accessed, manipulated or analyzed through geographic information
34 systems (GIS).

35 Sec. 4. (a) There is hereby established the Kansas geographic
36 information systems policy board within the office of information

1 technology services.

2 (b) The board shall consist of 21 members:

3 (1) The governor shall appoint 11 members as follows: Five
4 representatives of local government, including cities, counties or local
5 government consortia of cities, counties, non-profit and private sector
6 enterprises. Such members may include, but are not limited to,
7 representatives from city and county commissions or planning councils,
8 tribal government, law enforcement, county clerks, county appraisers and
9 emergency planning divisions; two representatives of the board of regents
10 institutions; and two executives representing the private sector. Members
11 from the private sector may include, but are not limited to, representatives
12 from the trucking industry, utilities, telecommunications, publishers,
13 agriculturalists, oil and gas industry, chambers of commerce, aircraft and
14 auto industry and the banking community; and two representatives from
15 relevant statewide businesses or professional organizations, such as
16 statewide associations of groundwater management districts, emergency
17 planning, law enforcement, licensed surveyors and other relevant technical
18 professions or agriculture-related businesses.

19 (2) The remaining 10 members shall be:

20 (A) The executive chief information technology officer of the office
21 of information technology services or such officer's designee;

22 (B) the director of the Kansas water office or such director's designee;

23 (C) the state biologist of the Kansas biological survey or the state
24 biologist's designee;

25 (D) the state geologist of the Kansas geological survey or the state
26 geologist's designee;

27 (E) the executive director of the Kansas historical society or such
28 executive director's designee;

29 (F) the secretary of agriculture or such secretary's designee;

30 (G) the secretary of health and environment or such secretary's
31 designee;

32 (H) the director of legislative research of the legislative research
33 department or such director's designee;

34 (I) the secretary of revenue or such secretary's designee; and

35 (J) the secretary of transportation or such secretary's designee.

36 (c) Members appointed by the governor under subsection (b)(1) shall
37 be appointed for a four-year term and until such member's successors are
38 appointed and qualified, except as provided in subsection (d). Members
39 not appointed by the governor under subsection (b)(1) shall serve
40 consistent with their terms of office, employment or appointment.

41 (d) The governor may remove a member from the board for lack of
42 attendance or lack of participation.

43 (e) The governor shall select a chairperson and vice-chairperson from

1 among the members of the board who shall serve as chairperson and vice-
2 chairperson at the discretion of the governor. The board may elect other
3 officers among its members and may establish any committees deemed
4 necessary to discharge its duties.

5 (f) Board members shall not receive compensation, subsistence
6 allowance, mileage or associated expenses from the state. Officers or
7 employees of state agencies who serve on the board shall be authorized to
8 serve on the board as part of their duties.

9 Sec. 5. The board shall:

10 (a) Establish public and private partnerships throughout Kansas to
11 maximize value, minimize cost and avoid redundant activities in the
12 development and implementation of geographic information systems;

13 (b) foster efficient and secure methods for data sharing at all levels of
14 government;

15 (c) coordinate, review and provide recommendations on geographic
16 information systems programs and investments and provide assistance
17 with dispute resolution among geographic systems partners;

18 (d) continue to establish Kansas' leadership role in the national effort
19 to improve capabilities for sharing geographic information and ideas with
20 other states;

21 (e) promote the use of geographic information systems technologies
22 as tools to break through structural and administrative boundaries to
23 collaborate on shared problems and enhance information analysis and
24 decision-making processes within all levels of government;

25 (f) shall be a standing advisory committee to the information
26 technology executive council and shall provide a copy of its annual report
27 to the council, as well as to the governor and both houses of the
28 legislature; and

29 (g) shall work jointly with officials from other state agencies,
30 organizations and county, municipal and tribal governments, as well as
31 with businesses and organizations in the private sector who are concerned
32 with the efficient management of the state's geographic information
33 systems resources.

34 Sec. 6. (a) There is hereby established the office of state geographic
35 information systems officer who shall be appointed by the governor and
36 who shall serve in the office of information technology services.

37 (b) The state geographic information systems officer shall:

38 (1) Implement Kansas one map, an enterprise statewide mapping
39 strategy that: (A) Supports Kansas state entities and local governments as
40 they foster economic vitality, manage resources, educate, save and restore
41 the natural environment, advance health initiatives, ensure public safety
42 and support science; and (B) enables state entities and local governments
43 to better implement and coordinate policies and programs across Kansas;

1 (2) implement and maintain the Kansas data access and support
2 center, an enterprise geospatial data clearinghouse to include a central
3 store and catalog of Kansas data and mapping services available to all state
4 entities and the public;

5 (3) recruit a technical committee and appoint the technical committee
6 chair;

7 (4) provide oversight for the development of the Kansas one map
8 program and monitor Kansas one map metrics;

9 (5) establish and manage a Kansas one map communications plan and
10 provide for Kansas one map education;

11 (6) maintain a liaison relationship with state, federal, regional, county
12 and municipal organizations;

13 (7) promote, advertise and market applications, capabilities, benefits
14 and results of the Kansas one map program;

15 (8) assist in the identification and capturing of funding to support the
16 Kansas one map program; and

17 (9) recommend to the executive chief information technology officer
18 rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the provisions of
19 the Kansas one map act.

20 (c) The executive chief information technology officer may adopt
21 rules and regulations to implement the provisions of the Kansas one map
22 act.

23 Sec. 7. All state departments, agencies, commissions and boards shall
24 cooperate with the Kansas geographic information systems policy board
25 and the state geographic information systems officer in implementing the
26 initiatives of Kansas one map.

27 Sec. 8. Funding for the Kansas data access and support center shall be
28 continued through the office of information technology services and shall
29 be directed to the Kansas geological survey which currently houses and
30 supports this function.

31 Sec. 9. In order for the state geographic information systems officer
32 to meet the goals set out in section 5, and amendments thereto, such officer
33 will be supported with other office of information services as needed and
34 available for coordination, standards development and implementation of
35 workshops to research and promote effective uses of the geographic
36 information systems assets and tools to achieve economic and operational
37 benefits from the Kansas one map resource.

38 Sec. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
39 publication in the Kansas register.