HOUSE BILL No. 2409

By Committee on Appropriations

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AN ACT concerning state contracts; relating to contract requirements; limitations on procurement, investment or other policy.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. As used in sections 1 and 2, and amendments thereto:

- (a) "Boycott" means engaging in a refusal to deal, terminating business activities or performing other actions that are intended to limit commercial relations with persons or entities doing business in Israel or in territories controlled by Israel, if those actions are taken either:
- (1) In compliance with or adherence to calls for a boycott of Israel other than those boycotts to which 50 U.S.C. § 4607(c) applies; or
- (2) in a manner that discriminates on the basis of nationality, national origin or religion, and that is not based on a valid business reason;
- (b) "company" means a sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, venture or other entity, its subsidiary or affiliate, that exists for profitmaking purposes or to otherwise secure economic advantage; and
- (c) "state" means this state or an agency, board, commission or department of this state.
- Sec. 2. (a) The state shall not enter into a contract with an individual or company to acquire or dispose of services, supplies, information technology or construction, unless such individual or company submits a written certification that such individual or company is not currently engaged in a boycott of Israel.
- (b) The state may not adopt a procurement, investment or other policy that has the effect of inducing or requiring a person to boycott the government of Israel or its instrumentalities, or to boycott a person doing business in Israel or territories under its jurisdiction, when such boycott is on the basis of such person's location in such places.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.