

HOUSE BILL No. 2425

By Committee on Appropriations

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1 AN ACT concerning higher education; requiring a member of the state
2 board of regents to be a student member; creating procedures for
3 nomination, appointment and confirmation; establishing the term of
4 office; relating to duties of the students' advisory committee; amending
5 K.S.A. 74-3202a and 74-3229 and repealing the existing sections.
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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 Section 1. K.S.A. 74-3202a is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-
9 3202a. (a) There is established the state board of regents. The state board
10 of regents shall be composed of nine members appointed by the governor,
11 subject to confirmation by the senate as provided in K.S.A. 75-4315b, and
12 amendments thereto. Except as provided by K.S.A. 46-2601, and
13 amendments thereto, no person appointed to the state board of regents
14 shall exercise any power, duty or function as a member of the state board
15 until confirmed by the senate. Each member shall hold office for a term of
16 four years, except as provided in subsection (b) for the ~~first members~~
17 *student member* appointed to the state board, and until a successor is
18 appointed and confirmed. Terms of members shall expire on June 30. No
19 person shall serve more than two terms of office as a member of the state
20 board, ~~except that this limitation shall not include the first term of office of~~
21 ~~any person appointed and qualified in accordance with subsection (b)(4).~~

22 (b) (1) One member of the state board of regents shall be a resident of
23 each congressional district with the remaining members appointed from
24 among all residents of Kansas, except that no two members shall reside in
25 the same county at the time of appointment. Subsequent redistricting of
26 congressional districts shall not disqualify any member of the state board
27 from service for the remainder of the member's term of office.

28 (2) At no time shall more than five members of the state board of
29 regents be members of the same political party.

30 (3) At no time shall any person who is an elected official or an officer
31 or employee of any postsecondary educational institution be a member of
32 the state board of regents.

33 (4) ~~The first members of the state board of regents established under~~
34 ~~this section shall be appointed by the governor on or before July 1, 1999.~~
35 ~~Of such members, three shall have a term of office of four years, three~~
36 ~~shall have a term of office of three years, and three shall have a term of~~

1 ~~office of two years~~ *One member of the state board shall be a student*
2 *enrolled in a state educational institution, as defined in K.S.A. 76-711, and*
3 *amendments thereto. Such student member shall:*

4 *(A) Be nominated by the students' advisory committee of the state*
5 *board of regents, as provided in K.S.A. 74-3229, and amendments thereto;*

6 *(B) be subject to appointment and confirmation as provided in*
7 *subsection (a); and*

8 *(C) hold office for a term of two years or until the student member is*
9 *no longer enrolled in a state educational institution, whichever occurs*
10 *first, and a successor is appointed and confirmed.*

11 (c) The members of the state board of regents shall meet and organize
12 annually by electing one member as chairperson, ~~except that the governor~~
13 ~~shall designate the first chairperson of the state board from among the first~~
14 ~~members appointed.~~

15 (d) Members of the state board of regents attending meetings of the
16 state board, or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof authorized by the
17 state board, shall be paid compensation, subsistence allowances, mileage
18 and other expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3212, and amendments
19 thereto, for members of the legislature.

20 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 74-3229 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-
21 3229. (a) There is hereby established the students' advisory committee to
22 the state board of regents. ~~Prior to July 1, 1996, the students' advisory~~
23 ~~committee shall be composed of seven members who shall be the highest~~
24 ~~student executive officer elected by the entire student body at the~~
25 ~~university of Kansas, Kansas state university of agriculture and applied~~
26 ~~science, Emporia state university, Pittsburg state university, Fort Hays state~~
27 ~~university, Wichita state university and Kansas state university polytechnic~~
28 ~~campus. On and after July 1, 1996, The students' advisory committee shall~~
29 ~~be composed of six members who shall be the highest student executive~~
30 ~~officer elected by the entire student body at the university of Kansas,~~
31 ~~Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science, Emporia state~~
32 ~~university, Pittsburg state university, Fort Hays state university and~~
33 ~~Wichita state university.~~

34 The chief executive officers of the state educational institutions under
35 the control and supervision of the state board of regents shall annually
36 certify to the state board the names of the student executive officers
37 elected to membership on the students' advisory committee and, upon such
38 certification, the student officers shall qualify for membership on the
39 committee. The members of the advisory committee shall serve for terms
40 expiring concurrently with their terms as elective student officers and upon
41 qualification of their successors.

42 (b) The students' advisory committee shall be notified of all meetings
43 of the state board of regents and shall have the following functions, powers

1 and duties:

- 2 (1) Attend all meetings of the state board of regents except closed or
3 executive meetings held pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4319, and
4 amendments thereto;
- 5 (2) make recommendations to the board of regents concerning course
6 and curriculum planning and faculty evaluation;
- 7 (3) advise and consult with the board of regents in the formulation of
8 policy decisions on student affairs;
- 9 (4) identify student concerns;
- 10 (5) consider any problems presented to it by the board of regents and
11 give advice thereon;~~and~~
- 12 (6) disseminate information to their peers concerning the philosophies
13 and standards of education developed by the board of regents and
14 stimulate awareness of student rights and responsibilities; *and*
- 15 (7) *nominate a student enrolled in a state educational institution to*
16 *serve as a member of the state board as provided in K.S.A. 74-3202a, and*
17 *amendments thereto. The committee shall select such student nominee on a*
18 *rotating basis from all state educational institutions.*
- 19 (c) Members of the students' advisory committee attending meetings
20 of the state board of regents shall receive no compensation for serving on
21 such advisory committee, but shall be paid subsistence allowances,
22 mileage and other expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3223, and
23 amendments thereto, from moneys appropriated therefor to the state board
24 of regents.
- 25 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 74-3202a and 74-3229 are hereby repealed.
- 26 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
27 publication in the statute book.