

General Information:**Provided testimony on the following bills during week of February 8-12**

SB483 primary seatbelt
SB48 911 fees
HB2637 DNA fees
HB2605 lab fees
SB518 VIN Inspections
SB497 Switchblade knives

Monitored final action on SB353 on human trafficking in Senate Judiciary
Attended Criminal Code Recodification Bill hearing
Monitored Final action on Domestic Violence bill on Friday. Our amendments were approved and committee passed it out favorably.
Monitored hearing on HB on release of affidavits in House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee.
Attended presentation on Vehicle Liability Insurance verification systems in Senate Transportation Committee.
Monitored testimony on HB2449 on eavesdropping in House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee.

Legislative Schedule

Wednesday, February 17th is the last day for committee hearings for the first half of the session. Saturday February 20, is “turn around day” when all non-exempt bills have to be out of the house of origin. Our focus will then turn to just the bills that still have life at that point and testimony as needed in the second chamber.

Action on priority issues

1. SB48 (911 Funding): The Senate Utilities Committee held hearings on this bill on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. They plan on committee discussion on Monday and Tuesday, then final action on Wednesday.
2. SB375 (Repeal of Capital Punishment):
3. SB458 (Forensic testimony by video): Hearing held on Monday in Senate Judiciary Committee. Committee plans to take final action on Monday.
4. HB2454 (Sentencing enhancement for felons wearing ballistic vest): Passed House 120-0. Now assigned to Senate Judiciary Committee.
5. KBI Support for local law enforcement: We attended the KBI House budget subcommittee as they finalized their recommendations for the KBI. The subcommittee failed to include any funding for KCJIS lines in their recommendations. Chances are very slim the full Appropriations Committee will include it without the subcommittee recommendation. The House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee held hearings on two relevant bills on Tuesday. HB2605 will enhance assessment and collection of forensic testing fees from defendants. HB2637 will enhance assessment and collection of DNA fees from defendants.
6. Retirement bills: HB2694 introduced in House to provide new KP&F plan with COLA on retirement benefits.

Hearings Scheduled for week of February 8-12:

Monday, February 15

House Appropriations Committee, 9:00 AM, Room 346S

Budget Committee Report On:

Highway Patrol

Kansas Bureau of Investigation

Senate Judiciary Committee 9:30 AM Room 548-S

[SB 471](#)--Changing crime of harassment by telephone to harassment by telecommunications[SB 533](#)--Electronic citations, complaints and notices to appear SB533 – E-citations

House Transportation Committee, 1:30, Room 783

[HB 2660](#) - Recreational off-highway vehicles, regulation thereof[HB 2680](#) - Regulating traffic; impeding traffic

Tuesday, February 16

Senate Transportation Committee, 8:30 AM, Room 152-S

[SB536](#) – New class of off road vehicle.

Senate Ways and Means Committee, 10:30, Room 548-S

[SB481](#) – Repealing requirement for one district judge per county**Final Action Schedule for Senate Judiciary**

Tuesday, February 16

[SB 67](#)--Creating the crime of endangering a dependent adult; amending mistreatment of a dependent adult[SB 351](#)--Prohibiting texting while driving; penalties[SB 471](#)--Changing crime of harassment by telephone to harassment by telecommunications[SB 374](#)--Adopting a Kansas apology law[SB 345](#)--Increasing the probation services fee and community correctional services fee for persons convicted of felonies or misdemeanors[SB 455](#)--Civil commitment of sexually violent predators; expert testimony[SB 456](#)--Creating the Kansas robo-call privacy act[SB 442](#)--Court fees, surcharge to fund costs of non-judicial personnel[HB 2476](#)--Concerning courts and the judicial branch surcharge fund[SB 400](#)--Requiring plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney to notify defendants of payment of appraisers' award within 15 days[SB 372](#)--Amending the Kansas Act for Obtaining a Guardian or a Conservator, or both[SB 407](#)--Prescribing penalties for violations of liquor enforcement tax by licensees and persons required to be licensed[SB 468](#)--Amending petition requirements for summoning a grand jury[SB 528](#)--Shifting the burden of proof in the property valuation appeals process

Wednesday, February 17

[SB 437](#)--Secretary of state; resident agent filing requirements[SB 438](#)--Business trusts; required filings with the secretary of state[SB 439](#)--Kansas register; contents, procedure for submitting materials for publication[SB 440](#)--Repealing statutes on registration of insignias by secretary of state[SB 441](#)--Business entity transactions act; limited partnership mergers[SB 519](#)--Allowing for the use of electronic communication and electronic filing in certain instances[SB 533](#)--Electronic citations, complaints and notices to appear[SB 488](#)--Office of vital statistics; fingerprinting and criminal history records check required for new employees[SB 398](#)--Indemnification; amendments to certificate of incorporation or corporate bylaws[SB 459](#)--Juvenile offenders; jury trials[SB 460](#)--Children; permanency and priority of orders[SB 458](#)--Providing for the use of interactive video testimony in hearings or trials where there is a report concerning a forensic examination

NEW BILLS INTRODUCED THIS WEEK:

[HB 2670](#), An act concerning crimes and criminal procedure; providing for electronic citations, complaints and notices to appear; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 40-3104 and repealing the existing section.

Committee on Federal and State Affairs
(Corrections and Juvenile Justice)

This bill proposes changes to the citation laws for officer signature and promise to appear when using electronic citations.

[HB 2674](#), An act concerning the personal and family protection act; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 75-7c10 and repealing the existing section.

Committee on Federal and State Affairs
(Federal and State Affairs)

This bill proposes eliminating the list of places where concealed carry permit holders are not allowed to carry and replace it with the single "where posted" rule.

[HB 2680](#), An act regulating traffic; concerning driving in the right lane; impeding traffic; amending K.S.A. 8-1561 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-1522 and repealing the existing sections.

Committee on Appropriations
(Transportation)

This bill proposes changing the driving in the left lane rule to where it is impeding traffic to drive less than the speed limit in the left lane.

[HB 2694](#), An act concerning retirement and pensions; relating to the Kansas public employees retirement act of 2009; providing permanent annual cost-of-living adjustment for certain retirees; member contributions; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 74-49,210 and repealing the existing section.

Committee on Appropriations
(Select Committee on KPERS)

Proposes a new KP&F plan for new employees that will provide for COLAs on benefits.

[HB 2696](#), An act regulating traffic; concerning suspension of driving privileges for failure to stop or report certain accidents; amending K.S.A. 8-254 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-1602, 8-1603, 8-1605 and 8-1606 and repealing the existing sections.

Committee on Taxation
(Transportation)

Proposes changing the current rule to revoke the drivers license for these violations to a suspension of 90 days on first offense, 180 days on second offense, and 1 year for third or subsequent offense.

[HB 2697](#), An act concerning alcoholic beverages; relating to retailer's licenses under the Kansas liquor control act; amending K.S.A. 41-308 and 41-713 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 41-102, 41-311, 41-313 and 41-710 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 41-103 and 41-711.

Committee on Federal and State Affairs
(Federal and State Affairs)

Proposes changing the rules for retail sales of liquor so other retail stores can sell unopened liquor not for consumption on the premises.