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The legislature this week agreed to amendments to the FY 2009 budget, ending what has been “the” signature issue of the session so far. As of the time of this writing, the Governor has not signed the bill yet. If she signs the bill, the focus will immediately switch to crafting the FY 2010 budget. In the meantime, next Saturday is “turnaround” day. This is the date by which almost all bills have to be passed by their chamber of origin or they are dead for the session. Some committees are exempt from this deadline. Committee action will be slow this week as each chamber spends time on the floor trying to get bills passed before the deadline.

There was little action this week on bills of interest to ACEC. HB 2178, which would abolish the turnpike and put it under KDOT, had a hearing but does not look like it will receive further attention at this time. HB 2216, which would have required all entities doing business with the state in amounts larger than \$5,000 to register as a lobbyist, was pulled from its scheduled hearing this week. No further action on the bill is expected unless it is heavily modified to take out almost all industries. SB 9, which would allow state educational institutions to bypass existing procurement requirements, continues to be held up as the state works with members of AGC to find a compromise. SB 29, dealing with land surveyor statutes, has passed the Senate and will probably see action in the House the last week of February.

A pretty quiet week, but they’re just getting started. Stay tuned.....

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action
<a href="#">SB 9</a> Legislative Educational Planning Committee	State educational institutions; relating to capital improvements	In Senate Education	<b>01/28/2009 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing: Monday, 2/2/2009, 1:30 PM, Rm 545-N
<a href="#">SB 29</a> Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	State Board of Technical Professions; relating to licensure	In House Commerce and Labor	<b>02/05/2009 - House</b> Referred to Commerce and Labor
<a href="#">SB 36</a> Senate Commerce Committee	Cities and counties; relating to the Transportation Development District Act; special assessments	In Senate Commerce	<b>01/21/2009 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing: Wednesday, 1/28/2009, 8:30 AM, Rm 545-N
Provides for the use of the transportation development district tax and allows for the termination of the tax when the project is paid off.			

<a href="#">SB 52</a> Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Cities and counties; relating to special benefit districts therein; relating to costs of improvements	In Senate Federal and State Affairs	<b>01/22/2009 - Senate</b> Referred to Federal and State Affairs
<a href="#">SB 64</a> Special Committee on Eminent Domain in Condemnation of Water Rights	Kansas Water Appropriation Act	In Senate Natural Resources	<b>01/23/2009 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 1/29/2009, 8:30 AM, Rm 446-N
<a href="#">SB 65</a> Special Committee on Eminent Domain in Condemnation of Water Rights	Eminent domain; relating to water rights	In Senate Natural Resources	<b>01/23/2009 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 1/29/2009, 8:30 AM, Rm 446-N
<a href="#">SB 78</a> Senate Commerce Committee	Transportation development districts	In House Taxation	<b>02/10/2009 - House</b> Referred to Taxation
Allows the use of transportation development district tax for projects instead of bonds.			
<a href="#">SB 91</a> Senate Local Government Committee	Planning and zoning; dealing with vesting of development rights	In House Commerce and Labor	<b>02/13/2009 - House</b> Referred to Commerce and Labor
<a href="#">SB 112</a> Senate Judiciary Committee	Kansas Act Against Discrimination; relating to disability	In Senate Judiciary	<b>02/04/2009 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 2/5/2009, 9:30 AM, Rm 545-N
<a href="#">SB 119</a> Senate Commerce Committee	Enacting the Community Improvement District Act	On General Orders in Senate	<b>02/12/2009 - Senate</b> Committee Report: Be passed by Commerce
<a href="#">SB 142</a> Senate Transportation Committee	Transportation; relating to designation of certain highway segments as safety corridors by the Secretary of Transportation; establishing the traffic safety corridor fund	In Senate Transportation	<b>02/04/2009 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing: Tuesday, 2/10/2009, 8:30 AM, Rm 136-N

<p><a href="#">SB 165</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee</p>	<p>State water plan fund; relating to increasing fees that contribute to the fund</p>	<p>In Senate Ways and Means</p>	<p><b>02/03/2009 - Senate</b> Referred to Ways and Means</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 187</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee</p>	<p>Enacting the State Fire Marshal Commissioned Inspector Act</p>	<p>On General Orders in Senate</p>	<p><b>02/11/2009 - Senate</b> Committee Report: Be passed by Ways and Means</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 229</a> Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee</p>	<p>Employment; relating to misclassification of employees</p>	<p>In Senate Federal and State Affairs</p>	<p><b>02/06/2009 - Senate</b> Referred to Federal and State Affairs</p>
<p><a href="#">SB 257</a> Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee</p>	<p>Cities; relating to public improvements outside the city limits</p>	<p>In Senate Local Government</p>	<p><b>02/11/2009 - Senate</b> Referred to Local Government; Scheduled Hearing: Tuesday, 2/17/2009, 9:30 AM, Rm 446-N</p>
<p><a href="#">HB 2015</a> House Energy and Utilities Committee</p>	<p>Energy efficiency; relating to standards for certain owned or leased property, equipment or vehicles</p>	<p>In House Energy and Utilities</p>	<p><b>01/15/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 1/22/2009, 9:00 AM, Rm 783 Docking</p>
<p><a href="#">HB 2016</a> House Energy and Utilities Committee</p>	<p>Utilities; relating to emissions</p>	<p>In House Energy and Utilities</p>	<p><b>01/15/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 1/22/2009, 9:00 AM, Rm 783 Docking</p>
<p><a href="#">HB 2029</a> Special Committee on Eminent Domain in Condemnation of Water Rights</p>	<p>Cities; relating to annexation</p>	<p>In House Local Government</p>	<p><b>01/28/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Tuesday, 2/3/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 446-N</p>
<p><a href="#">HB 2030</a> Special Committee on</p>	<p>Cities; relating to annexation</p>	<p>In House Local Government</p>	<p><b>01/28/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing:</p>

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<a href="#">HB 2050</a> House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee	Water; relating to certain fees and disbursement thereof; concerning certain water permits	In House Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>01/23/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Monday, 1/26/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 783 DSOB
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<a href="#">HB 2065</a> Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations	Intensive Groundwater Control Areas	In House Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>01/23/2009 - House</b> Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
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<a href="#">HB 2083</a> House Local Government Committee	Historic preservation; pertaining to environs review	In House Local Government	<b>02/04/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 2/12/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 446-N
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<a href="#">HB 2084</a> Vincent Wetta, D-80th	Cities; relating to annexation of territory	In House Local Government	<b>02/04/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Tuesday, 2/10/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 446-N
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<a href="#">HB 2178</a> House Appropriations Committee	Abolishing the Kansas Turnpike Authority; transferring powers, duties and functions to the Kansas Department of Transportation	In House Transportation	<b>02/04/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 2/12/2009, 1:30 PM, Rm 783 DSOB
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<a href="#">HB 2182</a> House Energy and Utilities Committee	Department of Health and Environment; requiring the Kansas Air Quality Act be consistent and uniform with the Federal Clean Air Act	In House Energy and Utilities	<b>02/04/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 2/5/2009, 9:00 AM, Rm 783 DSOB
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<a href="#">HB 2216</a> House Elections Committee	Contracts with state agencies	In House Elections	<b>02/04/2009 - House</b> Referred to Elections
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<a href="#">HB 2222</a>	State agencies; relating to the collection	In House	<b>02/09/2009 - House</b>

House Government Efficiency and Fiscal Oversight Committee	of licenses, fees, charges, taxes and exactions	Government Efficiency and Fiscal Oversight	Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 2/12/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 535-N
<a href="#">HB 2238</a> House Commerce and Labor Committee	Construction contracts; relating to retention in public and private construction contracts	In House Commerce and Labor	<b>02/04/2009 - House</b> Referred to Commerce and Labor; Scheduled Hearing: Wednesday, 2/11/2009, 9:00 AM, Rm 784 DSOB
<a href="#">HB 2272</a> House Appropriations Committee	Intensive groundwater use control areas	In House Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>02/06/2009 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing: Wednesday, 2/11/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 783 DSOB
<a href="#">HB 2273</a> House Government Efficiency and Fiscal Oversight Committee	State agencies; providing for the development and implementation of a zero-based budget process	In House Appropriations	<b>02/05/2009 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations
<a href="#">HB 2277</a> House Appropriations Committee	Public works projects for state agencies; prescribing payment of minimum wages for work thereon and preferences for certain employees to work thereon	In House Commerce and Labor	<b>02/06/2009 - House</b> Referred to Commerce and Labor
<a href="#">HB 2281</a> House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Employment; relating to misclassification of employees	In House Taxation	<b>02/06/2009 - House</b> Referred to Taxation
<a href="#">HB 2282</a> House Energy and Utilities Committee	Water districts; relating to lands annexed by cities	In House Local Government	<b>02/06/2009 - House</b> Referred to Local Government
<a href="#">HB 2283</a> House Energy and Utilities Committee	Rural water districts; relating to procedures for release of lands from a district	In House Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>02/06/2009 - House</b> Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
<a href="#">HB 2284</a>	Water; relating to rural water districts;	In House Agriculture	<b>02/06/2009 - House</b>

House Energy and Utilities Committee	concerning transfer of certain property funds and records of such districts	and Natural Resources	Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
<a href="#">HB 2294</a> House Appropriations Committee	Minimum wage and maximum hours law	In House Commerce and Labor	<b>02/06/2009 - House</b> Referred to Commerce and Labor
<a href="#">HB 2309</a> House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Appropriation of water	In House Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>02/09/2009 - House</b> Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
<a href="#">HB 2318</a> House Energy and Utilities Committee	Rural water districts	In House Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>02/09/2009 - House</b> Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
<a href="#">HB 2326</a> House Taxation Committee	Transportation Development District Act; relating to creation of district; requirements	In House Taxation	<b>02/12/2009 - House</b> Referred to Taxation