

# LEGISLATIVE NEWSLETTER

ACEC of Kansas

No. 2 January 20, 2017

825 S Kansas Ave, Suite 500 Topeka, KS 66612 Phone (785)357-1824 Fax (785)233-2206 email scott@acecks.org

Week 2 was abbreviated as the legislature took Monday off in observance of Martin Luther King Day and took Friday off as well, resulting in a three day work week.

There was not a lot of action on engineering related issues. Most of the energy this week was consumed by the beginning phases of the broad debate over state tax policy moving forward. The House Tax Committee started hearings on repealing the LLC tax exemption, and the debate was contentious to say the least. This will almost certainly be a long conversation that will stretch out for weeks to come.

In the “no news is good news” category, we still haven’t heard any indicators that last year’s anti-QBS proposal will resurface. If it has not come up by the end of next week, I think we can breathe fairly easy that it will be dormant for 2017.

Action will intensify in the coming weeks. Stay tuned...

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action
<a href="#">SB 27</a> Senate Way and Means Committee	Appropriation revisions for FY 2017, FY 2018 and FY 2019 for various state agencies	In Senate Ways and Means	<b>01/13/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Ways and Means
<a href="#">SB 46</a> Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee	Water conservation area findings, notice and management plans	In Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>01/23/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
<a href="#">SB 48</a> Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee	Remedies for the impairment of a valid water right or permit to divert and use water	In Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>01/23/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
<a href="#">HB 2032</a> House Water and Environment Committee	Increasing fees credited to the state water plan fund	In House Water and Environment	<b>01/12/2017 - House</b> Referred to Water and Environment
<a href="#">HB 2039</a> House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Making the Kansas airport improvement program independent of the transportation works program	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	<b>01/12/2017 - House</b> Referred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

<a href="#">HB 2052</a> House Appropriations Committee	Appropriation revisions for FY 2017, FY 2018 and FY 2019 for various state agencies	In House Appropriations	<b>01/18/2017 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Appropriations: Thursday, 1/26, 9:00 AM, Rm 112-N
<a href="#">HB 2066</a> House Water and Environment Committee	Public wholesale water supply districts and highway right-of-way	In House Water and Environment	<b>01/20/2017 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Thursday, 1/26, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N
<a href="#">HB 2082</a> House Taxation Committee	Property tax lid; cities and counties; repealed	In House Taxation	<b>01/19/2017 - House</b> Referred to Taxation
<a href="#">HB 2099</a> House Agriculture Committee	Relating to remedies for the impairment of a valid water right or permit to divert and use water	In House Agriculture	<b>01/20/2017 - House</b> Referred to Agriculture
<a href="#">HB 2100</a> House Agriculture Committee	Relating to water conservation areas	In House Agriculture	<b>01/20/2017 - House</b> Referred to Agriculture