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Week 10 at the Capitol was full of committee activity as the Legislature heads towards First Adjournment April 6.

The big news of the week was the first full report from a consultant hired by the Legislature to advise them on how to meet the Supreme Court's requirements to adequately fund K-12 education, and how much money it would take to do so. All parties were caught off guard by the higher-than-expected amounts contained in the report. There will be more discussion this week as the Legislature takes this data and tries to put a funding plan together.

The results of this are likely to impact how much money is available for infrastructure investment. Currently there is an extra \$100 million for transportation in play, and the House Appropriations Committee this week approved \$4 million for the State Water Plan. These allocations are preliminary, however, and very much subject to change as the budget process continues.

We reported last week that a new piece of legislation was coming that creates a revised task force to look at funding for the next state transportation plan. That bill is HB 2775, and it had a hearing in the House Transportation Committee this week. ACEC offered testimony in support, but there are some concerns with this bill, and the preferred option would still be SB 285, another bill that creates a transportation planning task force that ACEC Kansas has also supported.

SB 285 would give ACEC, along with several other stakeholder groups, the authority to appoint a representative to the task force. HB 2775 gives the power/authority of appointments to legislative leadership, listing the stakeholder groups as the entities from which those appointments can be made. ACEC Kansas is still on that list, but the way the bill is drafted each stakeholder group could have numerous appointees while others could have none. Another point of potential concern is the creation of a subcommittee to look at project delivery methods. ACEC is always ready to discuss these topics, but it is critical that the appropriate and most informed stakeholders be in place to do the research and make the recommendations. Under HB 2775, it is not guaranteed ACEC Kansas would have a position on the subcommittee at all. We'll continue to watch both bills.

The Legislature will have one more week of committee work before turning to work on the floors of each chamber and conference committee work. Stay tuned...

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action
Sub for SB 27 Senate Way and Means Committee	Appropriation revisions for FY 2017, FY 2018 and FY 2019 for various state agencies	In Senate Ways and Means	02/23/2017 - Senate Withdrawn from Calendar; rereferred to Ways and Means
SB 46	Water conservation area findings, notice and management plans	Approved by Governor	04/18/2017 Approved by Governor Sam

Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee			Brownback
Related Bills:			
HB 2100: Similar language as introduced			
SB 48: Contents of SB 48, as amended by Senate Committee, inserted by House Committee into SB 46.			
H Sub for SB 70 Marci Francisco, D-2nd	Amendments to the Kansas amusement ride act	Approved by Governor	04/24/2017 Approved by Governor Sam Brownback
Related Bills:			
HB 2128: Contents of SB 70, as amended by Senate Committee, added to HB 2128 by Senate Committee of the Whole.			
HB 2389: The House Committee replaced the original contents of SB 70 with the contents of HB 2389.			
H Sub for SB 86: The House Committee amended H Sub for SB 70, as signed into law, and placed those contents into H Sub for SB 86.			
SB 76 Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Professional occupations; restrictions on fees and licensing requirements	In Senate Federal and State Affairs	01/11/2018 - Senate Withdrawn from General Orders; rereferred to Federal and State Affairs
SB 103 Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Secretary of State; political action committees prohibited	In Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government	02/01/2017 - Senate Referred to Ethics, Elections and Local Government
SB 104 Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Lobbyists; restrictions on tickets to events and meals for legislators	In Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government	02/01/2017 - Senate Referred to Ethics, Elections and Local Government
SB 105 Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Campaign finance; contribution prohibitions for certain persons entering into contracts with the state or a municipality	In Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government	02/01/2017 - Senate Referred to Ethics, Elections and Local Government
SB 107 Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Authorizing the attorney general to establish a system of legal representation charges and collect such charges from state agencies	On General Orders in Senate	03/15/2017 - Senate Committee of the Whole: Be passed over and retain a place on the Calendar
Related Bills:			
SB 149: Language modified from SB 107 as amended by Senate Committee added to SB 149 by House Committee.			
SB 116 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Repealing certain obsolete or expired sections relating to taxation	On General Orders in Senate	03/09/2017 - Senate Withdrawn from Consent Calendar; placed on General Orders
SB 147	Under Kansas income tax act; providing rate changes and determination of Kansas	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	02/23/2017 - Senate Withdrawn from Calendar;

Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	adjusted gross income and sunseting certain modifications		rereferred to Assessment and Taxation
SB 167 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Property tax lid; cities and counties; repealed	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	03/08/2017 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Assessment and Taxation: Thursday, 3/16, 9:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 175 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Income tax, rates, modifications, credits; cigarettes and tobacco products, rates; alcoholic beverages, liquor enforcement, rates; business entities, filing fees	Killed in Senate	03/07/2017 - Senate Committee of the Whole: Committee Report be adopted; be further amended; be divided into five parts; Parts 1 (Sec. 11), 2 (Sec. 10) and 3 (Sec. 21) rejected; enacting clause be stricken, Yeas 37, Nays 1
SB 176 Anthony Hensley, D-19th	Kansas buy American act	In Senate Commerce	02/09/2017 - Senate Referred to Commerce
SB 177 Anthony Hensley, D-19th	Hiring Kansans first	In Senate Commerce	02/09/2017 - Senate Referred to Commerce
SB 194 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Amending groundwater management district water user charges	On General Orders in House	03/08/2018 - House Committee Report recommending bill be passed by Agriculture
SB 212 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Directing the secretary of labor to submit a plan and negotiate an agreement for state enforcement of OSHA standards	In Senate Commerce	03/15/2017 - Senate Scheduled Hearing (cont.) in Commerce: Thursday, 3/16, 8:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 222 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	One-year moratorium on PEAK awards	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	03/08/2017 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Assessment and Taxation: Thursday, 3/9, 9:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 223 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	PEAK qualification distance requirements established and retention provision sunset accelerated	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	03/08/2017 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Assessment and Taxation: Thursday, 3/9, 9:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 224 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Providing for a \$.05 increase in motor fuel taxes	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	03/13/2017 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Assessment and Taxation: Friday, 3/17, 8:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 230	High performance incentive program, moratorium on income tax credits and sales	In Senate Commerce	03/16/2017 - Senate Referred to Commerce

Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	tax exemptions		
SB 231 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Promoting the employment across Kansas act; moratorium on the award of benefits	In Senate Commerce	03/16/2017 - Senate Referred to Commerce
SB 245 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Requiring state agencies to review rules and regulations and report to the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations	In Senate Ways and Means	04/06/2017 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means
SB 269 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Appropriation revisions for FY 2018 and FY 2019 for various state agencies	In Senate Ways and Means	03/14/2018 - Senate Scheduled Final Action in Ways and Means: Monday, 3/19, 10:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 270 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Making appropriations for FY2018, FY2019, FY2020, FY2021, FY2022, and FY2023 for the department of education	In Senate Ways and Means	01/11/2018 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means
SB 271 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Making appropriations for FY 2018 and FY 2019 for the department of education	In Senate Ways and Means	01/11/2018 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means
SB 276 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Adjusting the biannual transfer of certain balances in the motor carrier license fees fund to the state highway fund	In House Appropriations	03/14/2018 - House Scheduled Discussion and Possible Action in Appropriations: Tuesday, 3/20, 9:00 AM, Rm 112-N
Sub for SB 285 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Establishing the joint legislative transportation task force	In House Transportation	02/13/2018 - House Referred to Transportation
SB 298 Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government Committee	Cities, counties; residential fire sprinkler systems prohibitions, repealed	In Senate Federal and State Affairs	01/19/2018 - Senate Referred to Federal and State Affairs
SB 314 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Townships; special highway improvement fund	In House Appropriations	02/22/2018 - House Referred to Appropriations
SB 334	Extending the time that taxpayers may carry forward the high performance incentive program tax credit	In Senate Commerce	02/21/2018 - Senate Withdrawn from Committee of the Whole; rereferred to Commerce

Senate Commerce Committee			
SB 352 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Requiring transportation funding for school districts from the state general fund, not the state highway fund; making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, for the department of education; abolishing the general state aid transportation weighting - state highway fund, special education transportation weighting - state highway fund and career and technical education transportation - state highway fund of the department of education	In Senate Select Committee on Education Finance	03/14/2018 - Senate Withdrawn from Education; referred to Select Committee on Education Finance
SB 353 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Abolishing the boiler inspection fee fund; transferring balances to the fire marshal fee fund	In House Appropriations	02/22/2018 - House Referred to Appropriations
HB 2032 House Water and Environment Committee	Increasing fees credited to the state water plan fund	In House Water and Environment	02/16/2017 - House Withdrawn from Taxation; rereferred to Water and Environment
HB 2039 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	01/31/2017 - House Scheduled Hearing in Commerce, Labor and Economic Development: Thursday, 2/2, 1:30 PM, Rm 112-N
HB 2082 House Taxation Committee	Property tax lid; cities and counties; repealed	In House Taxation	01/19/2017 - House Referred to Taxation
S Sub for HB 2129 House General Government Budget Committee	Department of administration; exempting division of legislative post audit from the monumental building surcharge; energy audit exception; regulations on contracts and purchase orders	On General Orders in Senate	04/05/2017 - Senate Committee Report recommending substitute bill be passed by Ways and Means
Related Bills:			
S Sub for HB 2002: The contents of HB 2002 were added to S Sub for HB 2129 by Senate Committee.			
S Sub for HB 2130: The contents of HB 2130 were added to S Sub for HB 2129 by Senate Committee.			
HB 2138 House Local Government Committee	State fire marshal; school lockdowns; rules and regulations	In House Local Government	01/25/2017 - House Referred to Local Government
HB 2185	Restoring local control over wage requirements for construction projects	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic	02/20/2017 - House Withdrawn from Appropriations;

House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee		Development	rereferred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
HB 2190 House Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications Committee	Electric utilities and the sale of renewable energy	In House Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications	01/27/2017 - House Referred to Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications
HB 2201 House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Taxpayer empowerment, accountability and transparency in state contracting act	In House Federal and State Affairs	02/22/2017 - House Scheduled Hearing in Federal and State Affairs: Wednesday, 3/8, 9:00 AM, Rm 346-S
HB 2211 House Local Government Committee	Limiting campaign contributions to governor and lieutenant governor after second term inauguration	In House Elections	02/01/2017 - House Referred to Elections
HB 2227 House Taxation Committee	Property tax levy for the Kansas educational building fund	In House Taxation	02/01/2017 - House Referred to Taxation
HB 2237 House Taxation Committee	Concerning taxation; relating to income tax, rates, determination of income, tax credits; motor fuels tax, rates, trip permits, distribution; sales and compensating use tax, food and food ingredients	In House Taxation	02/02/2017 - House Referred to Taxation
Sub for HB 2272 House Water and Environment Committee	Establishing the Kansas water authority science and research subcommittee	In Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources	03/06/2017 - Senate Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
HB 2311 House Water and Environment Committee	Maintenance requirements for streambank stabilization and water quality protection projects	In House Water and Environment	02/09/2017 - House Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 2/14, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N
HB 2315 House Taxation Committee	Income tax, rates, modifications, credits; cigarettes and tobacco products, rates; alcoholic beverages, liquor enforcement, rates; business entities, filing fees	On General Orders in House	02/23/2017 - House Committee Report recommending bill be amended and reported without recommendation by Taxation
HB 2327 House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Restoring local control over wages, benefits and other labor-related matters by regulation and in public construction contracts	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	02/10/2017 - House Referred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

Sub for HB 2364 House Appropriations Committee	Appropriations for FY 2017, FY 2018, FY 2019 and FY 2020 for various state agencies	On General Orders in House	04/03/2017 - House Committee Report recommending substitute bill be passed by Appropriations
HB 2376 House Taxation Committee	Property tax lid; requiring cities and counties to publish notice of budget increase; election requirements	In House Taxation	03/08/2017 - House Scheduled Hearing in Taxation: Thursday, 3/16, 3:30 PM, Rm 346-S
HB 2382 House Taxation Committee	Providing for a \$.11 increase in motor fuel taxes; trip permits; distribution of revenues	In House Taxation	03/15/2017 - House Scheduled Hearing in Taxation: Thursday, 3/23, 3:30 PM, Rm 582-N
HB 2392 House Appropriations Committee	Repealing the local government infrastructure improvement projects loan program; abolishing the Kansas partnership fund	In House Appropriations	03/16/2017 - House Referred to Appropriations
HB 2412 House Appropriations Committee	Providing for a \$.05 increase in motor fuel taxes; trip permits; distribution of revenues	In House Taxation	03/27/2017 - House Referred to Taxation
HB 2463 House Transportation and Public Safety Budget Committee	Prohibiting the department of corrections from demolishing and constructing a correctional facility at Lansing until the legislature has approved the reissued request for proposal. Making null and void a provision that allows the department to construct a correctional facility	In House Appropriations	01/12/2018 - House Referred to Appropriations
HB 2466 House Appropriations Committee	Making appropriations for FY2018, FY2019, FY2020, FY2021, FY2022, and FY2023 for the department of education	In House Appropriations	01/12/2018 - House Referred to Appropriations
HB 2467 House Appropriations Committee	Making appropriations for FY2018 and FY2019 for the department of education	In House Appropriations	01/12/2018 - House Referred to Appropriations
HB 2468 House Appropriations Committee	Appropriation revisions for FY 2018 and FY 2019 for various state agencies	In House Appropriations	03/14/2018 - House Scheduled Discussion and Possible Action in Appropriations: Monday, 3/19, 9:00 AM, Rm 112-N
HB 2514 Tom Sloan, R-45th	Requiring the state corporation commission to study distributed energy rate design	In House Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications	01/23/2018 - House Referred to Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications
HB 2636	Repealing the statutory limit on state board of	In House K-12	03/07/2018 - House

House K-12 Education Budget Committee	education approval of school district bond issuances	Education Budget	Scheduled Hearing in K-12 Education Budget: Monday, 3/12, 1:30 PM, Rm 346-S
HB 2665 House Water and Environment Committee	Establishing a Kansas water law study commission	In House Water and Environment	02/08/2018 - House Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 2/13, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N
HB 2686 Jeff Pittman, D-41st	Making appropriations for FY 2019 for the department of corrections; salary increases for uniformed officers and all employees at correctional facilities	In House Appropriations	02/08/2018 - House Referred to Appropriations
HB 2691 House Water and Environment Committee	Modifying notification requirements for the division of water resources regarding multi-year flex accounts and water right applications	On Consent Calendar in Senate (3rd day)	03/13/2018 - Senate Committee Report recommending bill be passed and placed on Consent Calendar by Agriculture and Natural Resources
HB 2726 House Water and Environment Committee	Establishing the non-corn irrigation grant program and the low-water-use crop grant program and authorizing the Kansas water office to issue bonds for the purpose of providing funding to such programs	In House Water and Environment	02/13/2018 - House Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 2/13, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N
HB 2741 House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Enacting the fire sprinkler industry act	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	03/01/2018 - House Withdrawn from Appropriations; rereferred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
HB 2765 House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Enacting the elevator safety act	In House Federal and State Affairs	03/06/2018 - House Referred to Federal and State Affairs
HB 2765 House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Enacting the elevator safety act	In House Federal and State Affairs	03/06/2018 - House Referred to Federal and State Affairs
HB 2775 House Appropriations Committee	Roads and highways; establishing the joint legislative transportation vision task force; relating to the evaluation of the state highway fund and the state highway transportation system; report to legislature	In House Transportation	03/13/2018 - House Referred to Transportation