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This was the last week of committee activity for the Legislature as they head towards First Adjournment. Next week will be all floor action, the following week full of conference committees, and First Adjournment is April 6.

School finance continues to be the 800-pound gorilla that dominates all other action as the Legislature tries to meet the demands of a Kansas Supreme Court decision which declared K-12 funding inadequate. The long-awaited report from a consultant hired by the Legislature shocked all parties by calling for roughly one to two billion dollars in additional funding. Even the K-12 lobby had only called for a little over \$600 million. The Legislature was banking on the consultant's report coming in much lower than the \$600 million. The surprising results have legislators scrambling to come up with something to present to the Kansas Supreme Court.

Adding to the complexity is the creation this week of a group entitled "Kansas Coalition for Fair Funding" which will push for a change to the Kansas Constitution regarding K-12 funding. The current dispute between the Legislature and the Kansas Supreme Court stems from a provision of the Constitution specifying responsibilities of the Legislature in funding K-12. This new group will lead a collection of stakeholders who push to change that language. No replacement language has been put forward yet.

HB 2775, the House's alternative option to SB 285 creating a transportation planning task force, was debated this week in House Transportation. Some small changes were made, and the bill was then inserted into Sub for SB 391. Sub for SB 391 was then passed and now heads to the House floor. ACEC Kansas prefers the SB 285 version, and the two competing versions will more than likely be hashed out in conference committee the first week of April.

Several water, transportation, and other infrastructure funding streams are still in play but will not be determined until the final omnibus budget bill is passed. Debates on these budget issues will begin as early as next week, but are not likely to be resolved until late April/early May when the Legislature returns for veto session.

Stay tuned...

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action
<a href="#">Sub for 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>02/23/2017 - Senate</b> Withdrawn from Calendar; rereferred to Ways and Means
<a href="#">SB 46</a> Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee	Water conservation area findings, notice and management plans	Approved by Governor	<b>04/18/2017</b> Approved by Governor Sam 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.			
<a href="#">H Sub for SB 70</a>	Amendments to the Kansas amusement ride act	Approved by Governor	<b>04/24/2017</b> Approved by Governor Sam Brownback
Marci Francisco, D-2nd			
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.			
<a href="#">SB 76</a>	Professional occupations; restrictions on fees and licensing requirements	In Senate Federal and State Affairs	<b>01/11/2018 - Senate</b> Withdrawn from General Orders; rereferred to Federal and State Affairs
Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee			
<a href="#">SB 103</a>	Secretary of State; political action committees prohibited	In Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government	<b>02/01/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Ethics, Elections and Local Government
Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee			
<a href="#">SB 104</a>	Lobbyists; restrictions on tickets to events and meals for legislators	In Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government	<b>02/01/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Ethics, Elections and Local Government
Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee			
<a href="#">SB 105</a>	Campaign finance; contribution prohibitions for certain persons entering into contracts with the state or a municipality	In Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government	<b>02/01/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Ethics, Elections and Local Government
Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee			
<a href="#">SB 107</a>	Authorizing the attorney general to establish a system of legal representation charges and collect such charges from state agencies	On General Orders in Senate	<b>03/15/2017 - Senate</b> Committee of the Whole: Be passed over and retain a place on the Calendar
Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee			
Related Bills:			
SB 149: Language modified from SB 107 as amended by Senate Committee added to SB 149 by House Committee.			
<a href="#">SB 116</a>	Repealing certain obsolete or expired sections relating to taxation	On General Orders in Senate	<b>03/09/2017 - Senate</b> Withdrawn from Consent Calendar; placed on General Orders
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
<a href="#">SB 147</a>	Under Kansas income tax act; providing rate changes and determination of Kansas adjusted gross income and sunseting certain modifications	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	<b>02/23/2017 - Senate</b> Withdrawn from Calendar; rereferred to Assessment and Taxation
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
<a href="#">SB 167</a>	Property tax lid; cities and counties; repealed	In Senate Assessment	<b>03/08/2017 - Senate</b>

Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee		and Taxation	Scheduled Hearing in Assessment and Taxation: Thursday, 3/16, 9:30 AM, Rm 548-S
<a href="#">SB 175</a> 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	<b>03/07/2017 - Senate</b> 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
<a href="#">SB 176</a> Anthony Hensley, D-19th	Kansas buy American act	In Senate Commerce	<b>02/09/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Commerce
<a href="#">SB 177</a> Anthony Hensley, D-19th	Hiring Kansans first	In Senate Commerce	<b>02/09/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Commerce
<a href="#">SB 194</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee	Amending groundwater management district water user charges	On General Orders in House	<b>03/08/2018 - House</b> Committee Report recommending bill be passed by Agriculture
<a href="#">SB 212</a> 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	<b>03/15/2017 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing (cont.) in Commerce: Thursday, 3/16, 8:30 AM, Rm 548-S
<a href="#">SB 222</a> Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	One-year moratorium on PEAK awards	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	<b>03/08/2017 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing in Assessment and Taxation: Thursday, 3/9, 9:30 AM, Rm 548-S
<a href="#">SB 223</a> Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	PEAK qualification distance requirements established and retention provision sunset accelerated	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	<b>03/08/2017 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing in Assessment and Taxation: Thursday, 3/9, 9:30 AM, Rm 548-S
<a href="#">SB 224</a> Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Providing for a \$.05 increase in motor fuel taxes	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	<b>03/13/2017 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing in Assessment and Taxation: Friday, 3/17, 8:30 AM, Rm 548-S
<a href="#">SB 230</a> Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	High performance incentive program, moratorium on income tax credits and sales tax exemptions	In Senate Commerce	<b>03/16/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Commerce
<a href="#">SB 231</a>	Promoting the employment across Kansas act; moratorium on the award of benefits	In Senate Commerce	<b>03/16/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Commerce

Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
<a href="#">SB 245</a> 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	<b>04/06/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Ways and Means
<a href="#">Sub for SB 269</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee	Appropriation revisions for FY 2018 and FY 2019 for various state agencies	On General Orders in Senate	<b>03/20/2018 - Senate</b> Committee Report recommending substitute bill be passed by Ways and Means
<a href="#">SB 270</a> 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	<b>01/11/2018 - Senate</b> Referred to Ways and Means
<a href="#">SB 271</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee	Making appropriations for FY 2018 and FY 2019 for the department of education	In Senate Ways and Means	<b>01/11/2018 - Senate</b> Referred to Ways and Means
<a href="#">SB 276</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee	Adjusting the biannual transfer of certain balances in the motor carrier license fees fund to the state highway fund	Pending enrollment	<b>03/23/2018 - House</b> Final Action: Passed; Yeas 120, Nays 1
<a href="#">Sub for SB 285</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee	Establishing the joint legislative transportation task force	In House Transportation	<b>02/13/2018 - House</b> Referred to Transportation
<a href="#">SB 298</a> Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government Committee	Cities, counties; residential fire sprinkler systems prohibitions, repealed	In Senate Federal and State Affairs	<b>01/19/2018 - Senate</b> Referred to Federal and State Affairs
<a href="#">SB 314</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee	Townships; special highway improvement fund	In House Appropriations	<b>02/22/2018 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations
<a href="#">SB 334</a> Senate Commerce Committee	Extending the time that taxpayers may carry forward the high performance incentive program tax credit	In Senate Commerce	<b>02/21/2018 - Senate</b> Withdrawn from Committee of the Whole; rereferred to Commerce
<a href="#">SB 352</a>	Requiring transportation funding for school districts from the state general fund, not the state highway fund; making and concerning	In Senate Select Committee on Education Finance	<b>03/19/2018 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing in Select Committee on Education Finance:

Senate Ways and Means Committee	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		Wednesday, 3/21, 1:30 PM, Rm 144-S
<a href="#">SB 353</a> Senate Ways and Means Committee	Abolishing the boiler inspection fee fund; transferring balances to the fire marshal fee fund	In House Appropriations	<b>02/22/2018 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations
<a href="#">H Sub for SB 391</a> Senate Transportation Committee	Establishing the joint legislative transportation vision task force for evaluation of the state highway fund and the state highway transportation system	On General Orders in House	<b>03/22/2018 - House</b> Committee Report recommending substitute bill be passed by Transportation
Related Bills:			
SB 375: Provisions of SB 391 added to SB 375 by House Committee			
<a href="#">SB 450</a> Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Amending the school finance transportation weighting calculation to use density and per capita allowance	In Senate Select Committee on Education Finance	<b>03/21/2018 - Senate</b> Referred to Select Committee on Education Finance
<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>02/16/2017 - House</b> Withdrawn from Taxation; rereferred 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>01/31/2017 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Commerce, Labor and Economic Development: Thursday, 2/2, 1:30 PM, Rm 112-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="#">S Sub for HB 2129</a> 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  Above the Line in Senate	<b>03/23/2018 - Senate</b> Above the Line - Monday, March 26
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.			
<a href="#">HB 2138</a>	State fire marshal; school lockdowns; rules	In House Local	<b>01/25/2017 - House</b>

House Local Government Committee	and regulations	Government	Referred to Local Government
<a href="#">HB 2185</a> House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Restoring local control over wage requirements for construction projects	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	<b>02/20/2017 - House</b> Withdrawn from Appropriations; rereferred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
<a href="#">HB 2190</a> House Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications Committee	Electric utilities and the sale of renewable energy	In House Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications	<b>01/27/2017 - House</b> Referred to Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications
<a href="#">HB 2201</a> House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Taxpayer empowerment, accountability and transparency in state contracting act	In House Federal and State Affairs	<b>02/22/2017 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Federal and State Affairs: Wednesday, 3/8, 9:00 AM, Rm 346-S
<a href="#">HB 2211</a> House Local Government Committee	Limiting campaign contributions to governor and lieutenant governor after second term inauguration	In House Elections	<b>02/01/2017 - House</b> Referred to Elections
<a href="#">HB 2227</a> House Taxation Committee	Property tax levy for the Kansas educational building fund	In House Taxation	<b>02/01/2017 - House</b> Referred to Taxation
<a href="#">HB 2237</a> 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	<b>02/02/2017 - House</b> Referred to Taxation
<a href="#">Sub for HB 2272</a> House Water and Environment Committee	Establishing the Kansas water authority science and research subcommittee	In Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources	<b>03/06/2017 - Senate</b> Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources
<a href="#">HB 2311</a> House Water and Environment Committee	Maintenance requirements for streambank stabilization and water quality protection projects	In House Water and Environment	<b>02/09/2017 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 2/14, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N
<a href="#">HB 2315</a> 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	<b>02/23/2017 - House</b> Committee Report recommending bill be amended and reported without recommendation by Taxation

<a href="#">HB 2327</a> 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	<b>02/10/2017 - House</b> Referred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
<a href="#">Sub for HB 2364</a> House Appropriations Committee	Appropriations for FY 2017, FY 2018, FY 2019 and FY 2020 for various state agencies	On General Orders in House	<b>04/03/2017 - House</b> Committee Report recommending substitute bill be passed by Appropriations
<a href="#">HB 2376</a> House Taxation Committee	Property tax lid; requiring cities and counties to publish notice of budget increase; election requirements	In House Taxation	<b>03/08/2017 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Taxation: Thursday, 3/16, 3:30 PM, Rm 346-S
<a href="#">HB 2382</a> House Taxation Committee	Providing for a \$.11 increase in motor fuel taxes; trip permits; distribution of revenues	In House Taxation	<b>03/15/2017 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Taxation: Thursday, 3/23, 3:30 PM, Rm 582-N
<a href="#">S Sub for S Sub for HB 2386</a> House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Implementing restrictions on requirements for licensing of professional occupations	On General Orders in Senate	<b>03/22/2018 - Senate</b> Committee Report recommending substitute bill be passed by Federal and State Affairs
Related Bills:			
S Sub for HB 2132: Contents of HB 2132 removed and contents of HB 2386 inserted into S Sub for HB 2132 by Senate Committee.			
SB 207: Portions of SB 207 added to S Sub for HB 2386 by Senate Committee.			
<a href="#">HB 2392</a> House Appropriations Committee	Repealing the local government infrastructure improvement projects loan program; abolishing the Kansas partnership fund	In House Appropriations	<b>03/16/2017 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations
<a href="#">HB 2412</a> House Appropriations Committee	Providing for a \$.05 increase in motor fuel taxes; trip permits; distribution of revenues	In House Taxation	<b>03/27/2017 - House</b> Referred to Taxation
<a href="#">HB 2463</a> 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	<b>01/12/2018 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations
<a href="#">HB 2466</a> House Appropriations Committee	Making appropriations for FY2018, FY2019, FY2020, FY2021, FY2022, and FY2023 for the department of education	In House Appropriations	<b>01/12/2018 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations



<a href="#">HB 2467</a> House Appropriations Committee	Making appropriations for FY2018 and FY2019 for the department of education	In House Appropriations	<b>01/12/2018 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations
<a href="#">Sub for HB 2468</a> House Appropriations Committee	Appropriation revisions for FY 2018 and FY 2019 for various state agencies	On General Orders in House	<b>03/22/2018 - House</b> Committee Report recommending substitute bill be passed by Appropriations
<a href="#">HB 2488</a> House Taxation Committee	Removing alcohol as special fuel under the motor-fuel tax law	On General Orders in Senate	<b>03/20/2018 - Senate</b> Committee Report recommending bill be passed as amended by Assessment and Taxation
<a href="#">HB 2514</a> Tom Sloan, R-45th	Requiring the state corporation commission to study distributed energy rate design	In House Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications	<b>01/23/2018 - House</b> Referred to Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications
<a href="#">HB 2636</a> House K-12 Education Budget Committee	Repealing the statutory limit on state board of education approval of school district bond issuances	In House K-12 Education Budget	<b>03/07/2018 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in K-12 Education Budget: Monday, 3/12, 1:30 PM, Rm 346-S
<a href="#">HB 2665</a> House Water and Environment Committee	Establishing a Kansas water law study commission	In House Water and Environment	<b>02/08/2018 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 2/13, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N
<a href="#">HB 2686</a> 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	<b>02/08/2018 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations
<a href="#">HB 2691</a> House Water and Environment Committee	Modifying notification requirements for the division of water resources regarding multi-year flex accounts and water right applications	Passed in Senate	<b>03/20/2018 - Senate</b> Final Action: Passed; Yeas 39, Nays 0
<a href="#">HB 2726</a> 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	<b>02/13/2018 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 2/13, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N
<a href="#">HB 2741</a> House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Enacting the fire sprinkler industry act	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	<b>03/01/2018 - House</b> Withdrawn from Appropriations; rereferred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
<a href="#">HB 2765</a>	Enacting the elevator safety act	In House Federal and State Affairs	<b>03/06/2018 - House</b> Referred to Federal and State



House Federal and State Affairs Committee			Affairs
<a href="#">HB 2775</a> 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	<b>03/13/2018 - House</b> Referred to Transportation