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The big news in Kansas this week was the official resignation of Governor Brownback Wednesday afternoon and the swearing in of Lt Governor Jeff Colyer. We would not look for a significant change in policy with this change. Governor Colyer is filling a term of less than one year and is focused on the reelection campaign. Outside of some minor changes in messaging and possibly personnel, I would not expect ACEC issues to be impacted.

On the policy front, the Legislature continues to be focused on finding a solution to K-12 funding that will meet the requirements of the Kansas Supreme Court. This week the House Tax Committee Chair asked Committee members to bring any ideas to the table for new revenue streams that might be needed in this effort. We have not heard about anything that would specifically impact infrastructure investment, but will continue to monitor this closely.

There is a smattering of activity on a handful of water policy bills. A global fix to the general shortfall in funds available for water infrastructure remains elusive.

SB 285, which creates a task force to study options for the next transportation program, had further debate in the Senate Ways & Means Committee this week. Several amendments were made adding additional stakeholder groups to the task force. Final action on the bill is currently schedule for Monday. ACEC Kansas is in strong support of this bill. It should pass comfortably and head to the Senate floor for consideration.

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revisions for FY 2017, FY 2018 and FY 2019 for various state agencies	In Senate Ways and Means	02/23/2017 - Senate Withdrawn from Calendar; rereferred to Ways and Means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 Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee	Water conservation area findings, notice and management plans	Approved by Governor	04/18/2017 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.			
SB 48 Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee	Remedies for the impairment of a valid water right or permit to divert and use water	In House K-12 Education Budget	03/29/2017 - House Withdrawn from Appropriations; referred to K-12 Education Budget
Related Bills:			

SB 48: Contents of SB 48, as amended by Senate Committee, inserted by House Committee into SB 46.

SB 55 Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Public construction contracts and performance and payment bonds	Approved by Governor	04/07/2017 Approved by Governor Sam Brownback
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 Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Under Kansas income tax act; providing rate changes and determination of Kansas adjusted gross income and sunsetting certain modifications	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	02/23/2017 - Senate Withdrawn from Calendar; rereferred to Assessment and Taxation

SB 167	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
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SB 175	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
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SB 176	Kansas buy American act	In Senate Commerce	02/09/2017 - Senate Referred to Commerce
Anthony Hensley, D-19th			
SB 177	Hiring Kansans first	In Senate Commerce	02/09/2017 - Senate Referred to Commerce
Anthony Hensley, D-19th			
SB 194	Amending groundwater management district water user charges	In Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources	01/31/2018 - Senate Scheduled Final Action in Agriculture and Natural Resources: Thursday, 2/8, 8:30 AM, Rm 159-S
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 212	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
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SB 222	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
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SB 223	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
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SB 224	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
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SB 230	High performance incentive program, moratorium on income tax credits and sales tax exemptions	In Senate Commerce	03/16/2017 - Senate Referred to Commerce
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SB 231	Promoting the employment across	In Senate Commerce	03/16/2017 - Senate

Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Kansas act; moratorium on the award of benefits		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	01/11/2018 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means
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 Senate Ways and Means	02/01/2018 - Senate Scheduled Final Action in Ways and Means: Monday, 2/5, 10:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 285 Senate Ways and Means Committee	Establishing the joint legislative transportation task force	In Senate Ways and Means	02/01/2018 - Senate Scheduled Final Action in Ways and Means: Monday, 2/5, 10:30 AM, Rm 548-S
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 Senate Ways and Means	01/31/2018 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Ways and Means: Thursday, 2/8, 10:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 334 Senate Commerce Committee	Extending the time that taxpayers may carry forward the high performance incentive program tax credit	In Senate Commerce	01/31/2018 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Commerce: Wednesday, 2/7, 8:30 AM, Rm 548-S
SB 353	Abolishing the boiler inspection fee fund; transferring balances to the fire marshal fee fund	In Senate Ways and Means	02/02/2018 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means

Senate Ways and Means Committee			
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
S Sub for Sub for HB 2052 House Appropriations Committee	Appropriation revisions for FY 2017, FY 2018, FY 2019, FY 2020, FY 2021, FY 2022, FY 2023, FY 2024, and FY 2025 for various state agencies	Approved by Governor	04/27/2017 Published in the Kansas Register
HB 2066 House Water and Environment Committee	Public wholesale water supply districts and highway right-of-way	Approved by Governor	04/04/2017 Approved by Governor Sam Brownback
HB 2082 House Taxation Committee	Property tax lid; cities and counties; repealed	In House Taxation	01/19/2017 - House Referred to Taxation
HB 2099 House Agriculture Committee	Relating to remedies for the impairment of a valid water right or permit to divert and use water	Stricken from Calendar in House	02/23/2017 - House Stricken from Calendar
HB 2100 House Agriculture Committee	Relating to water conservation areas	Stricken from Calendar in House	02/23/2017 - House Stricken from Calendar
Related Bills:			
SB 46: Similar language as introduced			
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 2153 House Judiciary Committee	Public benefit corporations; relating to the Kansas general corporation code; business entity standard treatment act	Approved by Governor	05/15/2017 Approved by Governor Sam Brownback
Related Bills:			
HB 2125: Contents of HB 2153 replaced by contents of HB 2125 by Conference Committee.			
SB 149: Some contents of HB 2153 added to SB 149 by Conference Committee.			
HB 2054: Some contents of HB 2153 added to HB 2054 by Conference Committee.			
HB 2185 House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Restoring local control over wage requirements for construction projects	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	02/20/2017 - House Withdrawn from Appropriations; 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
HB 2241 House Water and Environment Committee	Creating the surface water protection fee and the irrigation water use fee and depositing such fees in the state water plan fund	In House Water and Environment	03/13/2017 - House Scheduled Discussion and Possible Action on substitute in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 3/14, 9:00 AM,

			Rm 582-N
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 2389 House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Amendments to the Kansas amusement ride act	In House Federal and State Affairs	03/15/2017 - House Scheduled Hearings in Federal and State Affairs: Pro & Opp - Thursday, 3/23; Neu - Friday, 3/24, 9:00 AM, Rm 346-S
Related Bills:			
H Sub for SB 70: The House Committee replaced the original contents of SB 70 with the contents of HB 2389.			
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	Providing for a \$.05 increase in motor	In House Taxation	03/27/2017 - House

House Appropriations Committee	fuel taxes; trip permits; distribution of revenues		Referred to Taxation
HB 2447 Randy Garber, R-62nd	Requiring access at certain location from U.S. Highway 36	In House Transportation	01/09/2018 - House Referred to Transportation
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	01/12/2018 - House Referred to Appropriations
HB 2513 House Water and Environment Committee	Surface water protection fees	In House Water and Environment	01/24/2018 - House Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 1/30, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-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 2528 House Water and Environment Committee	State water plan fund and the economic development initiatives fund	In House Water and Environment	01/31/2018 - House Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Thursday, 2/8, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N
HB 2564 House Water and Environment Committee	Authorizing the division of water resources to regulate the use of end guns on irrigation systems	In House Water and Environment	01/31/2018 - House Scheduled Hearing in Water and Environment: Tuesday, 2/6, 9:00 AM, Rm 582-N