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| 1                       | 1                        | Health Care Stabilization Fund Oversight Committee\(^2\) | 1                       |                         |
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To: Legislative Coordinating Council

From: Shirley D. Morrow, Acting Director

Re: Requested Interim Topics by Subject

Below is a summary of the requested interim topics that were submitted as of July 8, 2024. The topics are organized by subject and include the legislator or committee that is requesting a study of the topic. This list does not include Interim committees previously authorized.

REQUESTED INTERIM TOPICS BY SUBJECT

Administrative Rules and Regulations

Review All Proposed Rules and Regulations

(Requested by Chairperson Warren, Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations – 6 days)

1) Review of Rules and Regulations submitted by state agencies (the Joint Committee is required to review proposed rules and regulations during the public comment period required by KSA 77-421 and amendments there to; it must also review reports regarding the necessity of certain rules and regulations as required by KSA 77-440).

Budget and Agency Issues

Review Expenditures and Revenue Information

(Topic 1, Requested by Chairperson Waymaster, Legislative Budget Committee – 8 days)

1) Review and make recommendations on the state budget, revenues and expenditures, and the organization and functions of the State, its departments, subdivisions, and agencies with an objective of reducing the cost of state government and increasing efficiency and economy.
Review State Employee Pay

(Topic 1, as provided by SB 28 and HB 2551 as requested by Chairperson Waymaster, House Committee on Appropriations – 2 days)

1) Review and make recommendations regarding the state employee compensation. A comprehensive study is to be conducted of market pay and benefits of job classifications in both the public and private sectors, and the state Board of Regents is to conduct a comprehensive study of market pay and benefits of professors and employees at both public and private postsecondary institutions. (The prior framework from a similar 2022 Special Committee is noted.)

Capitol Preservation

Discuss Capitol-related Issues

(Topic 1, Requested by Chairperson Zollner, Capitol Preservation Committee – 1 day)

1) Discuss current Statehouse and Capitol Complex projects, including Docking construction and mural installation.

Confirmations

Review Governor’s Appointments

(Requested by Chairperson Alley, Senate Committee on Confirmation Oversight – 3 days)

1) Review Governor’s appointments that require Senate confirmation during the Interim.

Education

Task Force on Education Finance [For Information]

(Provided by House Sub. for SB 387, New Section 5)

1) A funding task force is created by SB 387 to review and make recommendations regarding the state’s school finance system prior to the expiration of the Kansas School Equity and Enhancement Act. Such report must be submitted to the Legislature and the Governor on or before January 11, 2027. (Members will be appointed by November 30, 2024. The LCC is authorized to pay certain member compensation and legislative staff shall provide assistance, as may be requested.)
2) **Economic Development**

Review and Make Recommendations on Economic Development Topics

(Topic 1, Requested by Representatives Howell, Howerton, and Tarwater – 2 days)

1) Review and make recommendations regarding housing and its impact on economic development related to housing availability and affordability.

(Topic 2, Requested by Chairperson Tarwater, House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development – 2 days)

2) Review and make recommendations regarding foreign investments and regulatory sandboxes.

**Health and Human Services**

Monitor and Study Implementation and Operations, Including Access to and Quality of Services Provided and Any Financial Information and Budgetary Issues for Existing Medicaid Programs, Child Welfare Programs, Rate Setting Methodologies, and Homelessness.

(Topics 1-4, requested by Chairperson Landwehr, Robert G. (Bob) Bethell Joint Committee on Home and Community Based Services and KanCare Oversight – 6 days)

1) Review the Home and Community Based Services and other components of the State’s long-term care system;

2) Review the Children’s Health Insurance Program;

3) Review the Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly; and

4) Review the State’s Medicaid program;

(Topic 5, as requested by Chairperson Mason, House Committee on Social Services Budget – 2 days)

5) Review sedation dentistry to consider the current availability of services for Medicaid beneficiaries in the state and the challenges in accessing and providing these services;

(Topic 6, as requested by Chairperson Mason, House Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Contract Nursing – 3 days)

6) Review the usage of contract nursing, the shortage of health care workers, and ways to enhance the health care workforce pipeline in Kansas;
(Topic 7, as requested by Senator Chase Blasi and Representative Will Carpenter – 1 day)

7) Review changes to Targeted Case Management within the intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) service network;

Review Child Welfare System

(Topics 8-10, as requested by Chairperson Concannon, Joint Committee on Child Welfare System Oversight – 5 days)

8) Review data on child maltreatment and demographic trends impacting the child welfare system;

9) Review the duties, responsibilities and contributions of the Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF), the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS), the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), the Department of Corrections, law enforcement, and the judicial branch that comprise the child welfare system; and

10) Review programs, services, and benefits offered directly or through grants or contracts by DCF, KDADS, KDHE, and the judicial branch that impact children and families at risk of becoming involved or who are involved in the child welfare system.

Study Medical Marijuana

(Topics 11-13, as requested by Senator Fagg – 2 days)

1) Study the impact of the federal government delisting marijuana and what that would mean for Kansas;

2) Study states that have allowed medical access for veterans and end of life patients and the outcome for patients; and

3) Review the current CBD structure in Kansas and enforcement.

Information Technology

Review, Monitor, and Report on Technology Plans and Expenditures

(Topics 1-6, requested by Chairperson Petersen, Joint Committee on Information Technology – 6 days)

1) Study computers, telecommunications, and other information technologies used by state agencies and institutions. The state governmental entities defined by KSA 75-7201 include executive, judicial, and legislative agencies and Regents Institutions;
2) Review proposed new acquisitions, including implementation plans, project budget estimates, and three-year strategic information technology plans of state agencies and institutions. All state governmental entities are required to comply with provisions of KSA 75-7209 et seq. by submitting such information for review by the Joint Committee;

3) Review information technology project plan summary, prior to the release of a request for proposal, that are determined to have a significant business risk as established per Information Technology Executive Council policy;

4) Monitor newly implemented technologies of state agencies and institutions;

5) Make recommendations to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means and House Committee on Appropriations on implementation plans, budget estimates, and three-year plans of state agencies and institutions; and

6) Report annually to the Legislative Coordinating Council and make special reports to other legislative committees as deemed appropriate.

Pensions and Financial Institutions

Review and Recommend Changes to the Retirement System, Fiduciary Financial Institutions’ Operations in Kansas, and Public Moneys Investment

(Topics 1-4, Requested by Chairperson Longbine, Joint Committee on Pensions, Investments and Benefits – 2 days)

1) Monitor, review, and make recommendations regarding the investment policies and objectives formulated by the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees;

2) Study inclusion of city and county correctional officers as eligible members of the Kansas Police and Firemen's Retirement System (KP&F);

3) Review reports regarding working-after-retirement exceptions; and

4) Review and respond to changes required by 2024 law and allocate time to the continued study into options and alternatives relating to KPERS Tier 3 plan design and overall benefit value.

(Topic 5, Requested by Chairperson Longbine, Joint Committee on Fiduciary Financial Institutions Oversight – 1 day)

5) Monitor, review, and make recommendations regarding fiduciary financial institutions’ operations in Kansas;
(Topic 6, Requested by Chairperson Hoheisel, House Committee on Financial Institutions and Pensions – 2 days)

6) Study centralized pooled collateral for public funds and PMIB linked deposit loan modernization as well as the potential impacts of this increased investment in Kansas communities.

Public Safety and Welfare

Security of State Officers and Employees; Security of Buildings and Infrastructure, Including Any Information System; Juvenile Justice Reform; and Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) Adult Offender Oversight

(Topic 1, Requested by Chairperson Petersen, Joint Committee on Kansas Security – 3 days)

1) Study, monitor, review, and make recommendations for the following:
   ○ Matters relating to the security of state officers or employees;
   ○ Security of buildings and property under the ownership or control of the State of Kansas; and
   ○ Security of the infrastructure of Kansas, including any information system, including security protocols planned for the 2026 World Cup Games, public safety answering points, and the transition of the 911 Coordinating Council to a state agency.

   This committee is asking for one travel day to tour and observe security measures at facilities in Topeka and Salina.

(Topics 2-8, Requested by Chairperson Warren, J. Russell (Russ) Jennings Joint Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice Oversight – 4 days)

2) Monitor the inmate population and review and study the programs, activities and plans of the Department of Corrections;

3) Monitor the implementation of juvenile justice reform;

4) Review and study the adult correctional programs and activities and facilities of counties, cities, and other local governmental entities;

5) Review and study the juvenile offender programs and activities and facilities of counties, cities, school districts and other local governmental entities;

6) Study nursery programs for incarcerated mothers with special consideration of the Nebraska model;

7) Study probation and post-release supervision implementation in other states; and

8) Review job and career assessment software for KDOC.
Rebuilding of Hutchinson Correctional Facility

(Topic 9, as provided by SB 28 requested by Chairperson Waymaster, House Committee on Appropriations – 0 days)

9) Determine the feasibility of rebuilding the Hutchinson correctional facility. The Department of Corrections will provide a report to the Joint Committee on State Building Construction, Russ Jennings Committee on Corrections Oversight, House Committee on Appropriations, and Senate Committee on Ways and Means. Therefore, no study committee is requested.

State Building Construction

Study, Review, and Make Recommendations on Capital Improvements Expenditures and Other State-owned Properties and Leases

(Requested by Chairperson McGinn, Joint Committee on State Building Construction – 3 days)

1) Study, review, and make recommendations on all agency five-year capital improvements plans, leases, land sales, and statutorily required reports by agencies.

Special Claims Against the State

Review Claims Filed

(Requested by Chairperson Humphries, Joint Committee on Special Claims Against the State – 4 days)

1) Hold hearings on all claims filed by the statutory deadline of November 1, 2024; hear those claims carried over from 2023; and make recommendations to the 2025 Legislature.

State-Tribal Relations

Study and Make Recommendations to Modify Proposed Gaming Compacts

(Requested by Chairperson W. Carpenter, Joint Committee on State-Tribal Relations – 2 days)

1) Hold hearings on issues concerning state and tribal relations. Establish and transmit to the Governor proposed guidelines reflecting the public policies and state interests the Joint Committee will consider in reviewing proposed gaming compacts, make recommendations to the Governor that any gaming compact provide for the imposition and collection of state sales and excise taxes of non-gaming goods and services, hold public hearings on proposed gaming compacts, and make recommendations on issues concerning state and tribal relations.
Chairperson Daniel Hawkins  
Legislative Coordinating Council  
Room 368-W, Statehouse  
BUILDING MAIL

Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

On behalf of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations (JCARR), I respectfully request Legislative Coordinating Council approval of six meeting days for the JCARR during the 2024 Interim. The Committee has scheduled its next meeting for June 20, 2024, and requests approval for that and subsequent meeting dates.

KSA 77-436 requires the JCARR to hear each proposed rule and regulation and provide its report, making comments and recommendations on those rules and regulations, during the 60-day public comment period. Also, KSA 77-440 requires specified agencies to submit reports to the JCARR on whether each of their rules and regulations is necessary for the implementation and administration of state law or may be revoked, and the JCARR will review those reports during the 2024 Interim.

Thank you for your timely consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Senator Kellie Warren  
Chairperson, Joint Committee on  
Administrative Rules and Regulations

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson  
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader  
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader  
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services  
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research  
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
April 25, 2024

Representative Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
Electronic Mail

Dear Representative Hawkins:

The Joint Committee on Child Welfare System Oversight respectfully requests the Legislative Coordinating Council approve a total of five meeting days during the 2024 Interim Session.

Pursuant to KSA 46-3901, the Committee is required to meet at least once during each the first and second calendar quarters when the Legislature is in regular session and at least once during each of the third and fourth calendar quarters, on the call of the chairperson. The Committee met for its first quarter meeting on March 15, 2024.

KSA KSA 46-3901 directs the Committee to review data on child maltreatment and demographic trends impacting the child welfare system; the duties, responsibilities and contributions of the Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF), the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS), the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), the Department of Corrections, law enforcement, and the judicial branch that comprise the child welfare system; and programs, services, and benefits offered directly or through grants or contracts by DCF, KDADS, KDHE, and the Judicial Branch that impact children and families at risk of becoming involved or who are involved in the child welfare system.

The five meeting days requested would enable the Committee to discharge its statutory responsibility for the second, third, and fourth quarters of calendar year 2024.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Susan Concannon, Chairperson
Joint Committee on Child Welfare System Oversight
July 8, 2024

Representative Dan Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
BUILDING MAIL

Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

As chairperson of the J. Russell (Russ) Jennings Joint Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice Oversight, I request the Legislative Coordinating Council approve three meeting days during the 2024 Interim so the Joint Committee may fulfill its statutory duties and study the additional topics listed in this letter.

KSA 46-2801 directs the Joint Committee to monitor the programs, activities, and plans of the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC), monitor the work of the Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee, and review and study adult correctional programs and juvenile offender programs of counties and cities.

Additionally, the Joint Committee proposes to study:

- Nursery programs for incarcerated mothers with special consideration of the Nebraska model;
- Probation and post-release supervision implementation in other states;
- Job and career assessment software for KDOC; and
- Additional topics that require Joint Committee attention.

Thank you for your consideration of this request for three meeting days for the Joint Committee to consider these important topics.

Sincerely,

Kellie Warren - SB

Senator Kellie Warren,
Chairperson, J. Russell (Russ) Jennings
Joint Committee on Corrections and
Juvenile Justice Oversight
May 22, 2024

Chairperson Daniel Hawkins
Legislative Coordinating Council
Statehouse Room 370-W
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Dear Speaker Hawkins:

The Joint Committee on Fiduciary Financial Institutions Oversight respectfully requests the Legislative Coordinating Council approve one meeting day during the 2024 Interim.

KSA 46-4001 directs the Joint Committee to monitor, review, and make recommendations regarding fiduciary financial institutions' operations in Kansas. The Office of the State Bank Commissioner is required to appear annually before this joint committee and present a report on the fiduciary financial institutions industry. In addition, the Joint Committee notes relevant pending legislation pertaining to TEFFI Act amendments.

The authorized meeting day will permit the Joint Committee to fulfill its statutory duties; monitor fiduciary financial institution activities; receive reports from various agencies, the regulated financial institution, and advisory entities; and consider recent law and pending legislation to assist in the development and regulation of this industry in Kansas.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Senator Jeff Longbine, Chairperson
Joint Committee on Fiduciary Financial Institutions Oversight

cc:  Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
Representative Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
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Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

The Robert G. (Bob) Bethell Joint Committee on Home and Community Based Services and KanCare Oversight (Committee) respectfully requests the Legislative Coordinating Council approve a total of six meeting days for it during the 2024 Interim, including a rescheduled second quarter meeting day previously approved for April 24, 2024, to occur outside of the 2024 Legislative Session.

Pursuant to KSA 39-7,160, the Committee is to meet at least once in January and once in April when the Legislature is in session and at least once for two consecutive days during each of the third and fourth calendar quarters, on the call of the chairperson, to accomplish the Committee’s statutory duties. The Committee was unable to meet in April while the Legislature was in session due to this year’s legislative schedule and instead received prior approval to meet on April 24, 2024. The Committee’s plan for the April meeting was to discuss the new KanCare contracts. However, the new KanCare contracts were not signed until May 7, 2024, and the awards announced on May 14, 2024, which required postponing the Committee meeting to allow for an open discussion of the terms of the contract.

KSA 39-7,160 directs the Committee to oversee long-term care services including home and community based services (HCBS), which are to be provided through a comprehensive and coordinated system throughout the state. In its oversight role, the Committee is to oversee the savings resulting from the transfer of individuals from state or private institutions to HCBS and to ensure any proceeds resulting from the successful transfer be applied to the system for the provision of services for long-term care and HCBS, as well as to review and study other components of the state’s long-term care system. Further, the Committee is to oversee the Children’s Health Insurance Program, the Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly, and the state Medicaid programs, and monitor and study the implementation and operations of these programs including, but not limited to, access to and quality of services provided and any financial information and budgetary issues.

The five new meeting days requested and authorization for the rescheduling of the previously approved one-day meeting for the second quarter meeting outside of the 2024
Legislative Session, for a total of six days, would enable the Committee to effectively discharge its statutory responsibility for calendar year 2024.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Representative Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson
Robert G. (Bob) Bethell Joint Committee on Home and Community Based Services and KanCare Oversight

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
May 29, 2024

Representative Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 370-W, Statehouse
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Chairperson Hawkins,

On behalf of the Joint Committee on Information Technology, I request six meeting days during the 2024 Interim. I believe six meeting days will allow the Joint Committee enough time to fulfill its responsibilities in oversight and review of information technology projects.

The duties assigned to the Joint Committee by its authorizing statute, KSA 46-2102, are noted below, and the first four duties also define its general areas of interim activity:

- Study computers, telecommunications, and other information technologies used by state agencies and institutions. The state governmental entities defined in KSA 75-7201 include executive, judicial, and legislative agencies, and regents institutions;

- Review proposed new acquisitions, including implementation plans, project budget estimates, and three-year strategic information technology plans of state agencies and institutions. All state governmental entities are required to comply with provisions of KSA 75-7209 et seq. by submitting such information for review by the Joint Committee;

- Review information technology project plan summaries, prior to the release of a request for project proposal, that are determined to have a significant business risk as established per Information Technology Executive Council Policy:
  - In instances when requested by Joint Committee members, conduct a meeting, to advise and consult on such projects prior to the release of a request for proposal;

- Monitor newly implemented technologies of state agencies and institutions;
- Make recommendations to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means and House Committee on Appropriations on implementation plans, budget estimates, and three-year plans of state agencies and institutions; and

- Report annually to the Legislative Coordinating Council (LCC) and make special reports to other legislative committees as deemed appropriate.

In addition to the Joint Committee's statutory duties, the Legislature or its committees, including the LCC, may direct the Joint Committee to undertake special studies and perform other specific duties.

The Joint Committee presents an annual report in compliance with KSA 46-1207 that requires the LCC to receive information about the interim work that will be submitted to the Legislature in the next session. I would note that additional meeting days may be required if additional interim topics are assigned to the Joint Committee beyond those required by statute or the Joint Committee convenes multiple times to advise and consult on IT project proposals.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Senator Mike Petersen
Chairperson, Joint Committee on Information Technology

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
April 30, 2024

Chairperson Daniel Hawkins
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
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Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

On behalf of the Joint Committee on Kansas Security (Committee), I respectfully request Legislative Coordinating Council approval for three meeting days during the 2024 Legislative Interim. The request includes:

- One day during which the Committee may tour and observe security measures at facilities in Topeka and Salina, such as the recently constructed Joint Forces Headquarters on Forbes Field, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment Laboratory, the Docking State Office Building, Kansas Highway Patrol facilities, and Kansas State University Salina; and

- Two days for the Committee to meet to study, monitor, and make recommendations regarding the additional topics within the Committee’s statutory purview in KSA 46-3301, including matters relating to the security of state officers or employees, the security of buildings and property owned by the State, and the security of infrastructure. Such topics may include security protocols planned for the 2026 World Cup Games, public safety answering points, and the transition of the 911 Coordinating Council to a state agency.

Thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Senator Mike Petersen
Chairperson
Joint Committee on Kansas Security
cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
    Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
    Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
    Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
    Gordon Seif, Revisor of Statutes
    Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
July 1, 2024

Representative Daniel Hawkins
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
Building Mail

Dear Representative Hawkins:

On behalf of the Legislative Budget Committee, I request eight meeting days during the 2024 Interim. The requested meeting days will allow the Committee to fulfill its responsibilities in oversight and review of the state budget. Pursuant to KSA 46-1208, the Committee is directed to compile fiscal information and to study and make recommendations on the state budget, revenues and expenditures, and the organization and functions of the State, its departments, subdivisions, and agencies with an objective of reducing the cost of state government and increasing efficiency and economy.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Troy Waymaster

Representative Troy Waymaster

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Tom Day, Director, Legislative Administrative Services
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
May 22, 2024

Chairperson Daniel Hawkins
Legislative Coordinating Council
Statehouse Room 370-W
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Dear Speaker Hawkins:

The Joint Committee on Pensions, Investments and Benefits respectfully requests the Legislative Coordinating Council approve two meeting days for it during the 2024 Interim.

KSA 46-2201 directs the Joint Committee to monitor, review, and make recommendations regarding the investment policies and objectives formulated by the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) Board of Trustees, review and make recommendations relating to benefits for KPERS members, consider and make recommendations to the specified Senate committee regarding confirmation of members of the KPERS Board, review and make recommendations relating to the inclusion of city and county correctional officers as eligible members of the Kansas Police and Firemen's Retirement System (KP&F), and review reports regarding working-after-retirement exceptions (KSA 74-4914 and 74-4937).

Two meeting days will permit the Joint Committee to fulfill its statutory duties as well as allow it to hear and respond to reports regarding the operations and performance of KPERS and implementation of 2024 law (working-after-retirement changes, including changes in the retirement threshold amount and earnings limitation on KP&F members returning to employment; an increase in the lump sum death benefit for KPERS retirees; revision of the statutory cap on alternative investments, KPERS Board investment policy; and enactment of the Countries of Concern Divestment Act and requirements on state-managed funds). In addition to the above topics and review of other relevant legislation from the 2024 Session, the Joint Committee is interested in allocating significant meeting time to its continued study into options and alternatives relating to KPERS Tier 3 plan design and its overall benefit value.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Senator Jeff Longbine, Chairperson
Joint Committee on Pensions, Investments and Benefits
cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
     Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
     Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
     Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
     Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
     Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
April 29, 2024

Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
Topeka, KS 66612
BUILDING MAIL

Chairperson Hawkins,

On behalf of the Joint Committee on Special Claims Against the State, and pursuant to
KSA 46-912, I respectfully request the Legislative Coordinating Council approve four meeting
days during the 2024 Interim. On average, the Committee conducts public hearings on 70
claims annually, and the Committee anticipates a similar number for the coming interim.

Four meeting days would allow the Committee to hear all claims filed by the statutory
deadline of November 1, 2024, and make recommendations to the 2025 Legislature.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Susan Humphries, Chairperson
Joint Committee on Special Claims Against the State

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
    Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
    Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
    Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
    Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
    Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
July 1, 2024

Representative Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
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Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

As chairperson of the Joint Committee on State-Tribal Relations, I respectfully request the Legislative Coordinating Council approve two meeting days during the 2024 Interim for the Joint Committee to meet and receive information on topics concerning state and tribal relations.

KSA 46-2303 directs the Joint Committee to recommend modification of proposed gaming compacts and to meet, discuss, and hold hearings on issues concerning state and tribal relations. KSA 46-2303 also permits the Joint Committee to establish and transmit to the Governor proposed guidelines reflecting the public policies and state interests the Joint Committee will consider in reviewing proposed gaming compacts, make recommendations to the Governor that any gaming compact provide for the imposition and collection of state sales and excise taxes of nongaming goods and services, hold public hearings on proposed gaming compacts, make recommendations on issues concerning state and tribal relations, and introduce legislation as deemed necessary.

The two meeting days requested would enable the Joint Committee to meet, discuss, and make recommendations on issues concerning state and tribal relations.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Representative Will Carpenter, Chairperson
Joint Committee on State-Tribal Relations

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
March 30, 2024

Daniel Hawkins, Chair,
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 370-W, Statehouse
BUILDING MAIL

Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

As Chairperson of the Joint Committee on State Building Construction, I respectfully request three meeting days during the 2024 Interim Session. Three days are necessary to study, review, and make recommendations on all agency five-year capital improvement plans; review leases and land sales; review other statutorily required reports by agencies.

The Joint Committee is authorized by KSA 46-1701, which includes provisions allowing the Joint Committee to meet on call of its Chairperson at any time and any place within the state and to introduce legislation.

Sincerely,

Senator Carolyn McGinn, Chairperson
Joint Committee on State Building Construction

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Tom Day, Director, Legislative Administrative Services
July 3, 2024

Representative Dan Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
BUILDING MAIL

Dear Chairperson Hawkins,

We respectfully request authorization for a special committee on housing in Kansas and its impact on economic development to consider issues related to housing availability, housing affordability, and the relationship between affordable, available housing and economic development and to make recommendations to the Legislature regarding the appropriate role of the State in housing policy. If authorized, we request two meeting days during the 2024 Interim for such review.

This special committee would study and make recommendations concerning:

- Home ownership, with an emphasis on housing priced under $200,000, and the availability of such housing in urban and rural areas of the state;

- Rental housing issues, including availability of affordable rental housing, eviction issues for tenants and landlords, and potential amendments to the Kansas Residential Landlord and Tenant Act;

- Housing for populations that face specific housing-related challenges, such as fixed-income senior citizens, individuals undergoing substance abuse or mental health treatment, veterans, adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and individuals exiting the foster care system or the correctional system;

- The relationship between affordable housing and economic development, specifically considering concerns of workforce, homebuilders, and businesses creating jobs in Kansas;

- Possible incentives for small businesses that purchase and remodel homes, including policies that other states are utilizing;
• Current housing law and policies in Kansas and other states; and

• Other housing issues identified by the Special Committee.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Leah Howell - by EP
Representative Leah Howell

Cyndi Howerton - by EP
Representative Cyndi Howerton

Sean Tarwater - by EP
Representative Sean Tarwater

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
Speaker Dan Hawkins
Legislative Coordinating Council
Statehouse Room 370-W
BUILDING MAIL

Dear Speaker Hawkins:

As chairperson of the House Committee on Financial Institutions and Pensions, I respectfully request the Legislative Coordinating Council approve two meeting days during the 2024 Interim for a Special Committee on Centralized Pooled Collateral and PMIB Modernization to study centralized pooled collateral for public funds and PMIB (Pooled Money Investment Board) linked deposit loan modernization as well as the potential impacts of this increased investment in Kansas communities.

These topics arose from an informational briefing in the House Committee on legislation that would modify the investment of idle funds law for local units of government (e.g., "any moneys which are not immediately required for the purposes for which the moneys were collected or received, and the investment of which is not subject to or regulated by any other statute" [KSA 12-1675a]) by adding an option of a centralized pooled collateral program.

The allocation of two meeting days would permit adequate study of the proposed legislation, an opportunity to hear from interested parties, and time for the presentation of a pending economic study that will be available in early October.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Representative Nick Hoheisel, Chairperson
House Committee on Financial Institutions and Pensions
cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
    Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
    Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
    Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
    Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
    Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
Representative Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
BUILDING MAIL

July 3, 2024

Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

As chairperson of the House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development, I respectfully request authorization for a special committee on commerce to study and make recommendations to the Legislature on two separate topics: foreign trade in Kansas, and regulatory sandboxes. If authorized, I request at least two meeting days during the 2024 Interim for such review.

Regarding foreign investment, the special committee would study and make recommendations concerning:

- Kansas trade with foreign countries, including a review of current specific trade agreements;
- A comparison of Kansas foreign trade with that of other states; and
- The identification of Kansas industries and products that may be available for foreign trade and the possible nations to solicit for such trade.

Regarding regulatory sandboxes, the special committee would study and make recommendations concerning:

- The nature and operation of regulatory sandboxes;
- The advantages and possible challenges of regulatory sandboxes; and
- The successes of regulatory sandboxes in other states and how they may apply to Kansas.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.
Sincerely,

Representative Sean Tarwater,
Chairperson, House Committee on
Commerce, Labor and Economic
Development

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
April 23, 2024

Representative Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
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Dear Representative Hawkins:

As Chairperson of the House Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Contract Nursing, I respectfully request the Legislative Coordinating Council approve 3 meeting days for a Special Committee on Healthcare Workforce to study the usage of contract nursing, the shortage of health care workers, and ways to enhance the healthcare workforce pipeline in Kansas.

The Special Committee would:

- Take the format of a roundtable discussion and include the same number and makeup of members as the 2021 Special Committee on Kansas Mental Health Modernization and Reform. The Special Committee would also include non-legislative stakeholders as members and subcommittees chaired by non-legislative members that would provide recommendations to the Special Committee;

- Provide a report to the 2025 Legislature with short-term and long-term goals;

- Make recommendations to the 2025 Legislature to create a health care workforce pipeline;

- Examine the need for non-clinical nursing education faculty to obtain a master's degree. If the Special Committee determines reform is needed, it is recommended the Special Committee further assess whether any changes would conflict with current program accreditation and if a bill would be required during the next legislative session;
• Review the exemptions for the master's degree requirements of licensed practical nurses and associate degree nurses classroom instructors to determine whether rules should be changed to match the exemptions;

• Review the use of on-site and experience requirements for certified nurse aide (CNA) trainers;

• Consider adding funding to be distributed for allied health profession scholarships, to hire more nursing teachers, and to develop a marketing campaign targeted to attract high school and college students to the nursing profession;

• Review the subject matter in HB 2265, relating to the regulation of supplemental nursing services; and

• Consider contracting with a private company to operate the state hospitals.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Representative Les Mason
Chairperson, House Committee on Social Services Budget

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
    Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
    Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
    Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
    Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
    Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
July 8, 2024

Representative Dan Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 370-W, Statehouse
BUILDING MAIL

Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

As chairperson of the Senate Committee on Utilities, I respectfully request the Legislative Coordinating Council approve two meeting days during the 2024 Interim for a Special Committee on Medical Marijuana to evaluate various policy options and make recommendations for comprehensive medical marijuana legislation.

Medical marijuana has been discussed by the Legislature during recent sessions. During the 2022 Interim, the Special Committee on Medical Marijuana met for four days to study recent medical marijuana legislation, receive testimony from stakeholders, and make recommendations to the 2023 Legislature. During the 2023-2024 Biennium, the Legislature continued to hold informational briefings on the topic, and the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs considered SB 135 and SB 555. Although the Legislature has worked to address medical marijuana, further study is needed.

Additionally, on May 21, 2024, the U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration published a notice of proposed rulemaking to move marijuana from Schedule I to Schedule III under the Controlled Substances Act. The Special Committee would also study the impact of this reclassification.

Thank you for you consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Michael Fagg
Senator Michael Fagg, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Utilities
cc:  Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
     Senator Dinah Sykes, Senator Minority Leader
     Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
     Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
     Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
     Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
April 29, 2024

Representative Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

On behalf of the House Committee on Social Services Budget, we respectfully request approval for two meeting days during the 2024 Legislative Interim for a Special Committee on Sedation Dentistry to consider the current availability of services for Medicaid beneficiaries in the state and the challenges in accessing and providing these services.

The Special Committee would seek authority to:

- Solicit testimony from Medicaid beneficiaries, providers, and other stakeholders regarding the accessibility and availability of sedation dentistry services;
- Identify challenges faced by stakeholders in providing or accessing sedation dentistry services; and
- Make recommendations to the 2025 Legislature on matters related to sedation dentistry.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Representative Les Mason,
Chairperson
House Committee on Social Services Budget

CC: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services
July 1, 2024

Representative Daniel Hawkins
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 368-W, Statehouse
Building Mail

Dear Representative Hawkins:

As Chairperson of the House Committee on Appropriations, I request two days for a joint interim committee to study state employee compensation. In 2024 HB 2511, Section 10 directs expenditures to be made to create an interim study committee to review a market rate study on employees of the State Board of Regents’ universities and Washburn University. The bill also directs the interim committee to review the comprehensive studies conducted by the Department of Administration on state employee compensation conducted pursuant to 2024 SB 28, Section 145(k).

In 2022, the Legislative Coordinating Council approved three meeting days for the Special Committee on State Employee and Board Member Compensation. The special committee was composed of 11 members, 6 from the House of Representatives and 5 from the Kansas Senate, including the Chairs of the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Ways and Means. The special committee was charged with reviewing state employee compensation in the following areas:

- State compensation as compared with compensation for other public sector and private sector employees, using market studies prepared by the Department of Administration;
- Continued use of classified and unclassified service;
- Compliance with existing Kansas statutes regarding state employees;
- Other states’ employment systems for comparison with the Kansas system;
- Options to tie compensation to performance reviews; and
- Other duties as determined by the Chairperson related to state employees and the state employment system.
The 2022 special committee may provide an effective framework for this issue in the future.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Troy Waymaster
Representative Troy Waymaster

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader
Tom Day, Director, Legislative Administrative Services
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research
June 24, 2024

Chairman of the Legislative Coordinating Council, Speaker Hawkins,

As you are aware, the service network that provides support to persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities is critical human service infrastructure for our state. The most fundamental service provided by that network is Targeted Case Management, which ensures that individuals in the IDD system can remain successful in the community. It is apparent that the Administration intends to pursue significant changes to Targeted Case Management this year in response to pressure from the federal government. Numerous concerns have been raised by our constituents regarding the direction the Administration appears to be headed on such changes.

It is with that in mind, that we write to you to request that the Legislative Coordinating Council authorize an interim committee during the remainder of this year for the purpose of facilitating legislative oversight of potential changes to Targeted Case Management within the IDD service network. We believe that the legislature should exercise oversight in order to ensure that this vital service is not disrupted and that the concerns of Kansans impacted by potential changes have an adequate opportunity to be considered.

We believe an interim committee could complete an examination of changes to the TCM system and consider recommendations to the full legislature if given one day on the LCC’s calendar. We are both committed to assisting this effort in any way the LCC deems most appropriate. Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Senator Chase-Blasi

Representative Will Carpenter

CC:
President Ty Masterson, Vice Chair
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Tom Day, Legislative Administrative Services
Shirley Morrow, Legislative Research
June 20, 2024

Chairperson Daniel Hawkins
Legislative Coordinating Council
Room 386-W Statehouse
OFFICE MAIL

Chairperson Hawkins:

On behalf of the Capitol Preservation Committee, I would like to request the approval of one meeting day during the 2024 Interim. The Capitol Preservation Committee annually receives an update by the Department of Administration on the various construction projects that have occurred or are scheduled to occur in the Statehouse and Capitol Complex.

In addition, the Capitol Preservation Committee approves the installation of artwork in the Statehouse. The Committee will receive an update on the installation of a recently approved mural on the Suffragist movement in Kansas and discuss the next steps for a mural in the Statehouse that honors the 1st Kansas (Colored) Voluntary Infantry Regiment, as approved by 2023 SB 39.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Patrick Zollner
Chairperson, Capitol Preservation Committee
Representative Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson  
Legislative Coordinating Council  
Room 368-W, Statehouse  
BUILDING MAIL

Dear Chairperson Hawkins:

The Senate Committee on Confirmation Oversight respectfully requests the Legislative Coordinating Council approve three meeting days during the 2024 Interim. The authorized meeting days will permit the Committee to fulfill its statutory duties with regard to interim review of appointments subject to Senate confirmation.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Larry Alley

Senator Larry Alley, Senate Majority Leader  
Chairperson, Senate Committee on  
Confirmation Oversight

cc: Senator Ty Masterson, Vice-chairperson  
Senator Dinah Sykes, Senate Minority Leader  
Representative Vic Miller, House Minority Leader  
Shirley Morrow, Acting Director of Legislative Research  
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes  
Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services