

View from the Hill

Legislation that became law through veto override

By Scott Hill

70th District Representative

The most common way that legislation becomes law is when both the Senate and House approve changes or additions to current law and then is submitted to the Governor.

In most cases the Governor either signs the legislation or allows it to become law without the Governor’s signature. The third option is that the Governor, within ten days of receiving the legislation, can veto or negate the bill. If legislation is vetoed while the legislature is in session, the House and the Senate have one opportunity to enact the bill without executive approval. To do the “override” a two thirds majority of both houses must vote in favor of the motion (84 House members, and 27 Senate members). The final week of legislative session is dedicated to veto overrides and last-minute legislation. Before the last week of session, we had overridden two pieces of legislation and during the final week we overrode 12 more. We also overrode 15 budget items that the Governor had line item vetoed. The following is a summary of the 14 bills:

SB4 - Requiring the return of advance voting ballots by 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

SB5 - Prohibiting the use of funds provided by the United States government for the conduct of elections and election-related activities unless approved by the legislature.

SB14 - Providing for continuous state



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budgets until amended, lapsed or eliminated by the legislature, temporary reallocations and establishing conditions and limitations.

SB29 - Substitute for SB 29 by Committee on Public Health and Welfare - Removing the authority of the county or joint board of health or local health officer to prohibit public gatherings when necessary for the control of infectious or contagious disease.

SB63 - Enacting the help not harm act, restricting use of state funds to promote gender transitioning, prohibiting healthcare providers from providing gender transition care to children whose gender identity is inconsistent with the child’s sex, authorizing a civil cause of action against healthcare providers for providing such treatments, requiring professional discipline against a healthcare provider who performs such treatment, prohibiting professional liability insurance from covering damages for healthcare providers who provide gender transition treatment to children and adding violation of the act to the definition of unprofessional conduct for physicians.

SB269 - Providing that future income tax and privilege tax rate decreases be contingent on exceeding revenue estimates and retaining a certain amount in the budget stabilization fund.

HB2033 - Including programs and services provided by nonprofit organizations accredited by the international multisensory structured language education council as approved at-risk educational programs.

HB2062 - Providing for child support orders for unborn children from the date of conception, including the direct medical and pregnancy-related expenses of the mother as a factor in child support orders and providing for an income tax exemption for unborn and stillborn children, requiring courts to consider the value of retirement accounts in certain circumstances, authorizing payment from certain retirement accounts to pay child support arrearages and eliminating the exemption of pension and retirement moneys from claims to fulfill child support obligations.

HB2217 - Expanding the scope of the inspector general to audit and investigate all state cash, food or health assistance programs and granting the inspector general the power to subpoena, administer oaths and execute search warrants thereto.

HB2240 - Senate Substitute for HB 2240 by Committee on Government Efficiency - Requiring legislative approval prior to any state agency seeking or implementing a public assistance program waiver or other authorization from the federal government that expands eligibility for any public assistance program, increases cost to the state or makes certain changes in services for persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities and authorizing the legislative coordinating

council to act on agency requests when the legislature is not in session.

HB2284 - Directing the department of administration to adopt written policies governing the negotiated procurement of managed care organizations to provide state medicaid services pursuant to a contract with the Kansas program of medical assistance.

HB2291 - Creating the regulatory relief division within the office of the attorney general and establishing the general regulatory sandbox program to waive or suspend rules and regulations for program participants.

HB2311 - Prohibiting the secretary from adopting and enforcing policies for placement, custody and appointment of a custodian that may conflict with sincerely held religious or moral beliefs regarding sexual orientation or gender identity and creating a right of action for violations.

HB2382 - Senate Substitute for HB 2382 by Committee on Education - Requiring school districts to include a fetal development presentation as part of the curriculum for any course that addresses human growth, human development or human sexuality and authorizing the state board of education to establish the rate of compensation for members of the board.

The summary of these bills is the official legislative description. If you want more information or explanation on one or more of these, email me at scott.hill@house.ks.gov. I voted in favor of each of these veto overrides.

Insight

Trusting the process

Glenn Brunkow

Pottawatomie County farmer and rancher

Kansas Farm Bureau is fully engaged in the process of developing policy for members’ consideration at our annual meeting in December.

The Resolutions Committee has received your ideas from issue surfacing and we have started developing proposals for the full delegation to consider.

We all know that we live in interesting times, and it is even more critical that we hear from all of our members and gather as many opinions as we can.

The policy in our book reflects the direction our members want Kansas Farm Bureau staff to engage with legislators and other leaders as they make decisions that affect your farm or ranch.

The grassroots nature of our policy book is what gives Kansas Farm Bureau and the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) their clout in Topeka and Washington D.C.

Each one of those policies came from a member and were developed with the help of other members until they were adopted by Kansas Farm Bureau and, in the case of national policy, (AFBF).

I hope you had an opportunity to attend an issue surfacing meeting, but if you did not and want to submit an idea or an issue for the Resolutions Committee, you can do so at www.kfb.org/advocacy.

Again, I remind you that our policy and our organization are strong because of members and their ability to have a voice in the direction of the organization.

This fall we will have 10 listening posts all across the state, and it will be your opportunity to voice your opinion on any of the proposed policy changes.

The more members

who weigh in on policy changes, the stronger those changes are. Each of our 10 districts are represented on the Resolutions Committee, and I encourage you to reach out to yours with ideas or questions.

Every member has the right to voice their opinion and we are stronger because of the varied ideas.

In December at the Kansas Farm Bureau Annual Meeting we will finalize the proposed changes in policy and that policy book will be our marching orders when it comes to working with legislators at the state and federal level.

Those are your words and your ideas and that is why it is so important that we have as much input as possible.

Will we always agree with the policy? Probably not, but it is in the book because a majority of the delegates from all 105 counties voted for it.

You know what? If you don’t agree with

the policy you have the ability to lead the charge to change it. Everything we do is member driven, which means what we do can be changed by, you, the member.

I hope you will engage in the policy development process. Yes, we have already started the wheels in motion, but there is still time for each member to weigh in with their ideas. If you are not a member, there is still time to join and jump in.

I believe in our process, and I truly believe it is because we are a grassroots organization who has a seat at the table for everyone involved in agriculture its up to you to be involved.

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Notice is hereby given in compliance with K.S.A. 25-2018(b), that a General Election will be held to elect school board members on November 4, 2025, with the following positions to be voted upon in Dickinson County:

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 393	District No. 1, Position 4 District No. 2, Position 5 District No. 3, Position 6
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 435	District No. 1, Position 4 District No. 2, Position 5 District No. 3, Position 6
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 473	District No. 1, Position 4 District No. 2, Position 5 District No. 3, Position 6
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 481	District No. 1, Position 3 District No. 1, Position 5 District No. 2, Position 6
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 487	At-Large, Three (3) Positions.

All candidates shall file for such offices by 12:00 noon, Monday, June 2, 2025, in the County Clerk’s office of the home county of the school district.

Notice is further given that if needed, there will be a Primary Election conducted on August 5, 2025.

Witness my hand and official seal this 16th day of April. 2025.


Jennifer Gaytan



Dickinson County Election Officer

The Abilene Reflector-Chronicle wants your news. Send us stories, meeting notices, club minutes, 4-H reports, family and school reunions, etc.

Items may be sent to either editor@abilene-rc.com or to advertising@abilene-rc.com. If you have a story idea, give us a call at (785) 263-1000.

FARM AUCTION

MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025 * 9:30 AM

** Please be on time - the sale will be over early **

We are retiring from farming and will sell the following items at public auction at the farm located from Abilene, Kansas 3 miles south on Highway 15 to 1800 Ave., then 1 mile east and 1.5 miles south to 1640 Hawk Rd., or from from Highway 15 turn onto 1600 Ave. and go 1 mile east and 1/2 north.

TRACTORS, TRUCK, DONAHUE, FEED WAGON & FARM MACHINERY (late morning): John Deere 4455 tractor, Quad Range, 2 SVCs, electric outlet, 10 suitcase wts., 7,066 hours, SN: 4455P009064; John Deere 4230 tractor w/158 loader, 7ft. bucket; Quad Range, 2 SVCs, 540/1,000 PTO shaft, front wts, very good 18.4R34 rears; Fork and 2 pronged spear for 158 loader; John Deere 3430 swather with cab, 300 Twin Knife 16ft. header, 2,365 hours; John Deere 566 BR baler w/net wrap; White 5100 8R planter w/no-till springs; Great Plains Solid Stand 24X7.5 drill w/fertilizer; John Deere 12ft. soil saver; Schuler HF255 5X12ft. silage feed wagon w/scale, new battery, 54” sides including extensions, 285/75R22.5 tires, very nice; New Holland 5X10ft. manure spreader, one beater, 9.00X20 rubber, shedded, good floor; 250bu. gravity flow w/14ft.X6” hyd. auger, long hoses, used to fill drill with seed; 2015 Donahue 16ft. grain trailer, all steel bed and floor, hoist with trailer & cab controls, new battery, manual rollover tarp, triple swinging tailgate clean out gates, ST 235/80R16 tandem duals, excellent; 1967 Chevy C50 farm truck with power steering, V8, 4X2spd, all steel 15ft. bed and hoist, 51” sides including extensions; 14ft bumper hitch flatbed trailer w/good wooden floor; utility trailer w/high sides; JD 2700 5B adjustable plow; IH 490 18ft. tandem disk; JD 470 28ft. disk w/Kent evener, tandems on center and wings; Sunflower 13ft. offset disk; IH 4X16 semi mounted plow w/cylinder, 4 section drag harrow w/evener; 3pt. track wacker; 10ft. speed mover; Land Pride 7ft. rotary mower, needs repair; various other machinery for salvage or repair; United Farm Tools 450bu. grain cart, 22.5” tires; 4 wheel trailer made into header trailer; 22ft. hay trailer w/2” wooden floor on heavy 4 wheel running gear; old running gear w/bridge plank bed; other 4 wheel trailers; 3pt. PTO post hole digger w/9” bit; old portable welder on 2 wheel chassis w/flathead 4 cyl., the engine is free; 3pt. shop built log splitter, needs cylinder; 3pt. bale fork; 12V drill fill auger; shop built utility trailer. **LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT:** Red Rhino 6 BR bale trailer w/goose-neck hitch, side tilt to unload, tandem axles, brakes and lights; Patriot 7ft. bumper hitch dbl. sided creep feeder w/spring assist pens, single axle, 16” tires; heavy duty factory 10ft. creep feeder on rubber, bottom is good, no pens; (10) 20ft. sections concrete bunkline feeder and adjoining pipe fencing; (7) 12ft. portable panels; 9ft. panel w/gate; (4) 24ft. fence line slant bar feeder panels; (2) 16ft. metal gates; other panels & gates; (2) 22ft. heavy pipe feed bunks; (2) 12ft. round bottom steel bunks; 2 round bale feeders; combine bin feed bin; Apache 20ft. BR bale feeder on rubber, needs bottom; nice cube feeder for ATV or pickup; mineral feeder; older squeeze chute w/Priefert headgate, side and front exit; 100 hedge posts, mostly lg. corners; 3 telephone poles; misc. iron; 3pt. loading chute; 5ft. plastic stock tank.

NOTE: No rack items. Will be on livestock equipment right away. Machinery will sell last.

TERMS: Cash or good check day of sale. Not responsible for accidents.

CLERK: Shirley Riek, 526 Fredrick, Clay Center, Kansas 67432

JIM & NANCY CURTIS, SELLER

For questions regarding items to be sold call Jim at 785-280-1369

Go to kansasauctions.net/kretz for pictures & any additional info

Auction conducted by: **Kretz Auction Service**

Greg Kretz, Salesman & Auctioneer: (785) 630-0701

Guest Auctioneer Randy Reynolds: (785) 263-5627

NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS

City of Abilene

City Commissioner-4-year term

City Commissioner-4-year term

City Commissioner-2-year term.

City of Carlton

Mayor-4-year term

5 Council Members-4-year terms

City of Chapman

3 Council Members 2-year terms

City of Enterprise

Mayor-4-year term

2 Council Members-4-year terms

City of Herington

1 City Commissioner-3-year terms

City of Hope

3 Council members-4-year terms

City of Manchester

Mayor-4-year term

5 Council Members 4-year terms

City of Solomon

3 Council Members -4-year terms

City of Woodbine

2 Council Members-2-year terms

For the City positions you must live within the city limits and must be a registered voter.

Red Bud Lake

3 Board Members-2-year terms
Red Bud Lake You must live within the improvement district and be a registered voter.

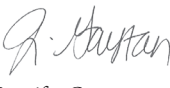
Chisholm Trail

2 Board Members-4-year terms
Chisholm Trail You must live in Dickinson County and be a registered voter.

Hospital District #1

2 Board Members - 4-year terms
K.S.A 80-2506-Every hospital shall be governed by a board composed of members who are qualified electors of the county where the hospital is located or of any county adjacent to such county and, if such member is a qualified elector of an adjacent county, such member shall own real property located in the territory included in the taxing district of the hospital.

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