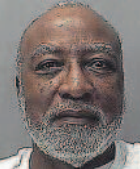


Board reverses Nelms’ parole

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The Kansas Prisoner Review Board rescinded a decision to grant parole to Jimmie Nelms, a man convicted of murder for the killing of Kansas High Patrol Trooper Conroy O’Brien in 1978.



Nelms
The decision to grant parole was immediately criticized by the Kansas State Troopers Association, who called the decision “unfathomable.” Several politicians also spoke out against the decision, including Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly; Kansas Senate President Ty Masterson, R-Anderson; House Speaker Dan Hawkins, R-Wichita; Kansas Attorney General Kris Kobach; and Kansas Secretary of State

Scott Schwab.
Parole board hearings aren’t public record, so it’s unclear what testimony was given to the board before they made their decision to grant Nelms’ parole. The Kansas Department of Corrections also didn’t share why parole was being rescinded.
“Nelms has been eligible for parole since 1993 and has appeared before the board nine times, having been initially granted parole after his hearing in March of this year,” a news release from the Kansas Department of Corrections said. “The board, in a new hearing on May 16 with Nelms, rescinded its previous decision to grant parole and decided to deny him release at this time.”
Nelms was sentenced to two consecutive life terms plus nine years in 1979 for the aggravated kidnapping and first-degree murder of O’Brien, as well as the unlawful possession of a firearm.

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the president. The policy details may be tweaked at any point along the way.
House Speaker Mike Johnson has said he wants to pass the bill before Memorial Day.

Amped up border security

The bill includes more than \$140 billion in spending on the Trump administration’s plan to crack down on illegal immigration.
That includes \$50 billion for completing the wall on the southern border, \$45 billion for detention centers, \$8 billion to hire more immigration officers and \$14 billion for deportations.

Boosted defense spending

The bill includes around \$150 billion more in defense spending, which could increase as it goes through the Senate.
The current proposal includes \$20 billion that would go, in part, to creating a “Golden Dome” missile defense system that Trump has promoted.

Medicaid changes

Medicaid, the program that provides health insurance to more than 71 million low-income Americans, would undergo big changes if the bill remains as is.
House Republicans have proposed changes that would save at least \$625 billion and cause 7.6 million Americans to lose their health insurance over the next 10 years, according to initial estimates by the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office.

The bill would implement work requirements for adults enrolled in Medicaid expansion and increase the frequency of eligibility checks to ensure people still qualify for the program.
The proposal would also bar Medicaid from funding services at clinics that also perform abortions, such as Planned Parenthood, and discourages states from using their own funds to provide Medicaid coverage to undocumented children.

SNAP work requirements

The proposal would implement new requirements in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, known as SNAP or food stamps, which provides food assistance to around 42 million Americans. That would save up to \$300 billion over the next 10 years and shift more of the cost to states.
The Republican plan would implement new work requirements for people ages 55 to 64, require states to provide more funding for the program for the first time, limit SNAP eligibility to citizens and lawful permanent residents – and prevent future presidential administrations from increasing benefits without Congressional approval.

\$2 trillion in tax breaks

Republicans want to make permanent the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, a bill passed during Trump’s first term that lowered taxes for all income brackets but disproportionately benefited the highest earners.
The cuts implemented in 2017 expire at the end of the year. If they are not extended, income tax rates will go up for all but two income brackets next year.



House Speaker Mike Johnson, R-Louisiana, has said he wants to pass the tax bill before Memorial Day. KEVIN DIETSCH/GETTY IMAGES

This is the most expensive provision in the bill and is expected to cost over \$2 trillion over the next ten years alone.

No tax on tips, overtime; car loan interest deduction

Two of Trump’s major campaign promises – no taxes on tips or on overtime wages – are included in the bill.
Workers could claim the tax deduction through 2028. Both include guardrails to stop “highly compensated employees” from claiming the deduction, and the tipped work specifies what kind of occupations are eligible, such as people serving food or providing beauty services.
Both provisions also require workers to list their Social Security number when they claim the deduction, which bars undocumented workers from claiming it. The bill would also allow people to temporarily deduct up to \$10,000 in car loan interest payments if they buy an American-made vehicle. The total deduction amount would decrease for people who make more than \$100,000, or \$200,000 filing jointly.

Raising the debt ceiling

The United States Treasury expects the country will hit the debt ceiling in August. In order to avoid a catastrophic default on the national debt, Congress will have to approve an increase in the debt ceiling. This legislation raises the debt ceiling by \$4 trillion.

Expanded child tax credit

The bill would increase the child tax credit to \$2,500 through 2028. It would drop to \$2,000 after that.
The child tax credit is currently \$2,000 but will go back to \$1,000 at the end of this year if not extended.


Extra money for seniors

People over age 65 could deduct an additional \$4,000 from their taxes if they make less than \$75,000 or \$150,000 filing jointly. People who make more than that are eligible for smaller deductions as their income increases. The deduction would last through 2028.


Green energy roll-backs

The bill would rescind several climate change-related provisions of former President Joe Biden’s Inflation Reduction Act, including a \$7,500 tax credit for electric vehicles.
It would pull back unspent money for several grant and loan programs at the Energy Department and Environmental Protection Agency, delay methane fees for oil and gas companies, repeal additional rules encouraging the adoption of electric vehicles, and accelerate permitting for fossil fuel projects.


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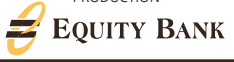
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The proposed overall DBE goal is **6.0%** for DOT-assisted contracts at the Salina Regional Airport.

The goal is intended to represent the percentage of total federal assistance that will be expended with certified DBE firms.

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