2012 Kansas Statutes

46-1801. Establishment of joint committee. (a) There is hereby established a joint committee on the arts and cultural resources which shall consist of five senators and five members of the house of representatives. The senate members shall be appointed by the committee on organization, calendar and rules. The house of representative members shall be a pointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. Not less than one representative member shall be a member of the house committee on appropriations and not less than one senator member shall be a member of the senate committee on ways and means. In addition, not less than one representative member shall be a member of the house committee on commerce. The committee on organization, calendar and rules shall be a member of the senate committee on commerce. The committee on organization, calendar and rules shall designate a senator member to be chairperson or vice-chairperson of the joint committee as provided in this section.

(b) A quorum of the joint committee on the arts and cultural resources shall be six. All actions of the committee may be taken by a majority of those present when there is a quorum. In odd-numbered years the chairperson of the joint committee shall be the designated member of the house of representatives from the convening of the regular session in that year until the convening of the regular session in the next ensuing year. In even-numbered years the chairperson of the joint committee shall be the designated member of the senate from the convening of the regular session of that year until the convening of the regular session of the next ensuing year. The vice-chairperson shall exercise all of the powers of the chairperson in the absence of the chairperson.

(c) The joint committee on the arts and cultural resources shall study, investigate and analyze the following matters:

(1) The goals appropriate to the future of the arts and cultural life of Kansas including, but not limited to, the following: Public art; individual artists; films, video, radio and music; and historic preservation;

(2) the role the legislature and state government should play in the achievement of these goals;

(3) arts legislation in other states and at the federal level;

(4) the budget and programs of the Kansas creative arts industries commission and other state supported arts and cultural programs and agencies;

(5) the present status of arts education in Kansas; and

(6) the economic impact of arts and cultural resources in Kansas.

(d) The joint committee shall report to the legislature on or before December 31 each year any finding and recommendations concerning the arts in Kansas which the joint committee deems appropriate. The joint committee may introduce such legislation as it deems necessary in performing its functions.

(e) The joint committee on the arts and cultural resources shall meet on call of the chairperson as authorized by the legislative coordinating council. All such meetings shall be held in Topeka, unless authorized to be held in a different place by the legislative coordinating council. Members of the joint committee shall receive compensation and travel expenses and subsistence expenses or allowances as provided in K.S.A. 75-3212, and amendments thereto, when attending meetings of such committee authorized by the legislative coordinating council.

(f) Amounts paid under authority of this section shall be paid from appropriations for legislative expense and vouchers therefor shall be prepared by the director of legislative administrative services and approved by the chairperson or vice-chairperson of the legislative coordinating council.

History: L. 1989, ch. 221, § 1; L. 1990, ch. 191, § 1; L. 1993, ch. 136, § 4; L. 2012, ch. 111, § 7; July 1.