

**Substitute for SENATE BILL No. 285**

By Committee on Ways and Means

2-5

1 AN ACT concerning roads and highways; establishing the joint legislative  
2 transportation task force; relating to the evaluation of the state highway  
3 fund and the state highway transportation system; report to the  
4 legislature.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. (a) There is hereby established the joint legislative  
8 transportation task force. The task force shall consist of the following  
9 members:

10 (1) Two members of the house of representatives to be appointed by  
11 the speaker of the house of representatives. Of such members, at least one  
12 member shall be from the house standing committee on appropriations,  
13 and the speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint either  
14 member to serve as co-chairperson of the task force;

15 (2) one member of the house of representatives to be appointed by the  
16 minority leader of the house of representatives;

17 (3) two members of the senate to be appointed by the president of the  
18 senate. Of such members, at least one member shall be from the senate  
19 standing committee on ways and means, and the president of the senate  
20 shall appoint either member to serve as co-chairperson of the task force;

21 (4) one member of the senate to be appointed by the minority leader  
22 of the senate;

23 (5) two county commissioners to be appointed by the Kansas  
24 association of counties;

25 (6) two city representatives to be appointed by the Kansas league of  
26 municipalities;

27 (7) two members representing urban and rural economic development  
28 appointed by economic lifelines;

29 (8) one member appointed by the Kansas contractors association;

30 (9) one member appointed by the heavy constructors association;

31 (10) one member appointed by the Kansas aggregate producers  
32 association-Kansas ready mix association;

33 (11) one member appointed by the greater Kansas City building and  
34 construction trades council;

35 (12) one member appointed by the AFL-CIO;

36 (13) one member appointed by the American council of engineering

- 1 companies of Kansas;
- 2 (14) one member appointed by the Kansas public transit association;
- 3 (15) one member from a class I railroad company appointed by
- 4 economic lifelines;
- 5 (16) one member from a short line railroad company appointed by
- 6 economic lifelines;
- 7 (17) one member appointed by the Kansas motor carriers association;
- 8 (18) one member appointed by the Portland cement association;
- 9 (19) one member appointed by the petroleum marketers and
- 10 convenience store association of Kansas;
- 11 (20) one member appointed by the Kansas asphalt pavement
- 12 association;
- 13 (21) one member appointed by the international association of sheet
- 14 metal, air, rail and transportation workers;
- 15 (22) one member appointed by the Kansas association of airports;
- 16 (23) one member at large appointed by the speaker of the house of
- 17 representatives;
- 18 (24) one member at large appointed by the president of the senate;
- 19 (25) one member at large appointed by the governor; and
- 20 (26) the following ex-officio members, who all shall be nonvoting
- 21 members:
- 22 (A) the secretary of transportation, or the secretary's designee;
- 23 (B) the secretary of commerce, or the secretary's designee; ~~and~~
- 24 (C) the secretary of agriculture, or the secretary's designee; **and**
- 25 **(D) the chief executive officer of the Kansas turnpike authority, or**
- 26 **the chief executive officer's designee}.**
- 27 (b) (1) Members shall be appointed to the task force not later than 45
- 28 days from the effective date of this act. Members of the task force must all
- 29 be residents of Kansas and shall consist of members from all four
- 30 congressional districts in Kansas.
- 31 (2) The joint legislative transportation task force may meet in an open
- 32 meeting at any time upon the call of either co-chairperson of the task
- 33 force. The task force shall meet at least eight times, including at least one
- 34 meeting in each of the six Kansas department of transportation districts,
- 35 and at least two meetings in metropolitan district areas.
- 36 (3) A majority of the voting members of the joint legislative
- 37 transportation task force constitute a quorum. Any action by the task force
- 38 shall be by motion adopted by a majority of the voting members present
- 39 when there is a quorum.
- 40 (4) Any vacancy on the joint legislative transportation task force shall
- 41 be filled by appointment in the manner prescribed in this section for the
- 42 original appointment.
- 43 (5) Any member of the house of representatives or the senate who is

1 appointed to the task force as a member of the house standing committee  
2 on appropriations or the senate standing committee on ways and means  
3 under subsection (a)(1) or (a)(3) may designate another member of such  
4 committee, respectively, to attend any or all meetings of the task force as  
5 such member's designee.

6 (c) The mission of the joint legislative transportation task force shall  
7 be as follows:

8 (1) Evaluate the progress of the 2010 transportation works for Kansas  
9 program to date;

10 (2) evaluate the current system condition of the state transportation  
11 system, including roads and bridges;

12 (3) evaluate current uses of the state highway fund dollars, including  
13 fund transfers for other purposes outside of infrastructure improvements;

14 (4) evaluate current transportation funding in Kansas to determine  
15 whether it is sufficient to not only maintain the transportation system in its  
16 current state, but also to ensure that it serves the future transportation  
17 needs of Kansas residents;

18 (5) identify additional necessary transportation projects, especially  
19 projects with a direct effect on the economic health of the state of Kansas  
20 and its residents;

21 (6) make recommendations regarding the needs of the transportation  
22 system over the next 10 years and beyond;

23 (7) make recommendations on the future structure of the state  
24 highway fund as it relates to maintaining the state infrastructure system;  
25 and

26 (8) make and submit reports to the legislature concerning all such  
27 work and recommendations of the task force. All such reports shall be  
28 submitted to the legislature on or before January 31, 2019.

29 (d) (1) The staff of the office of revisor of statutes, the legislative  
30 research department and the division of legislative administrative services  
31 shall provide assistance as may be requested by the joint legislative  
32 transportation task force.

33 (2) The Kansas department of transportation shall, upon request by  
34 the joint legislative transportation task force, provide data and information  
35 relating to the transportation system in the state of Kansas that is not  
36 otherwise prohibited or restricted from disclosure by state or federal law.

37 (e) Subject to approval by the legislative coordinating council, *{the*  
38 *legislative}* members of the joint legislative transportation task force  
39 attending meetings authorized by the task force shall be paid amounts  
40 provided in K.S.A. 75-3223(e), and amendments thereto, ~~except that task~~  
41 ~~force members who are employed by a state agency shall be reimbursed by~~  
42 ~~such state agency.~~

43 (f) The provisions of this section shall expire on June 30, 2019.

1       Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
2       publication in the ~~statute book~~ *{Kansas register}*.