



KHA's Capitol Comments
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House Social Services Budget Committee Hears from KDHE

The House Social Services Budget Committee, chaired by David Buehler (R-Lansing), met for the first time yesterday, giving introductions and an overview of interim committee reports. The Kansas Legislative Research Staff reviewed a report of the Special Committee on Targeted Case Management, Bob Bethell Kan Care Oversight Committee, and Sedation Dentistry Program. The committee also heard Secretary Janet Stanek of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. The committee also heard from agency staff Ashley Goss and Medicaid Director Christine Osterland.

House and Senate Hear State of the State Activities

Today, the House and Senate heard updates on the state of our National Guard and Judiciary and the final State of the State address, which Governor Laura Kelly will deliver this evening.

Introduction of Bills

[Senate Bill 5](#) by Committee on Federal and State Affairs – Concerning elections; relating to the transparency in revenues underwriting elections act; 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

[Senate Bill 11](#) by Committee on Utilities – Concerning emergency communication services; relating to the state 911 board and public safety answering points; requiring the state 911 board to establish minimum training requirements for 911 telecommunicators to receive 911 telecommunicator-cardiopulmonary resuscitation training and continuous education in telecommunication cardiopulmonary resuscitation

[House Bill 2009](#) by Representatives Fairchild, Hill, Poetter Parshall, Rhiley, Schwertfeger and Seiwert – Concerning abortion; prohibiting abortion procedures except when necessary to save the life of the pregnant woman; providing a private cause of action for civil enforcement of such prohibition

[House Bill 2010](#) by Representatives Fairchild, Poetter Parshall, Rhiley, Schwertfeger and Seiwert – Concerning abortion; prohibiting abortion; creating the crimes of unlawful performance of an abortion and unlawful destruction of a fertilized embryo and establishing penalties therefor; restricting the use of fetal tissue; relating to exclusions from sales and use tax exemptions for certain abortion providers