



KHA's Capitol Comments
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Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee Takes Action on Bills

Today, the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee, chaired by Senator Beverly Gossage (R-Eudora), took action on [Senate Bill 67](#). The legislation relates to CRNA's Scope of Practice. The bill was amended to reflect that CRNAs can prescribe medicine and durable medical equipment based on previously passed language based on APRN scope of practice. The bill will now go to the full Senate for further review.

House Health and Human Services Hears Bills

Today, the House Health and Human Services Committee, chaired by Representative Will Carpenter (R-El Dorado), held a hearing on the following:

[House Bill 2365](#) establishes the South Central Regional Mental Health Hospital

Proponents:

- Scott Brunner, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services
- Amy Campbell, Kansas Mental Health Association
- Jeff Easter, Kansas Sheriff's Association

The committee amended House Bill 2365 as suggested by KDADS. The bill now goes to the full House for further debate and review.

[House Bill 2316](#) directs the deposit of civil penalties collected for violations of correction orders issued by the state fire marshal into the Disability Community Services Providers' Civil Monetary Penalty Reinvestment Fund or the Adult Care Homes' Civil Monetary Penalty Reinvestment Fund

Proponents:

- Lacey Hunter, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services
- Kylee Childs, LeadingAge Kansas
- Jennifer Sourk with Midwest Health

[House Bill 2368](#) provides for the licensure of anesthesiologist assistants

Proponents:

- Rachelle Colombo, Kansas Medical Society
- Spencer Jones, Kansas Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants
- Matthew Pinegar, MD, Private Citizen
- Chuck Hufstetler, Georgia State Senate
- Kathy Perryman, MD, Private Citizen
- Ashley Eichelberger, Private Citizen
- Courtney Znamenacek, Private Citizen
- Daniel Wikiera, Private Citizen
- Ann Kancel, DO, Private Citizen
- Chris Gipson, MD, Private Citizen
- Daren Wilson, MD, Liberty Hospital
- Kacey Chau, MD, Private Citizen
- Neal Campbell, MD, Private Citizen
- Omar Nunez, MD, Private Citizen
- Rajiv Chhabra, University of Missouri Kansas City
- Sean Bonanni, MD, Private Citizen
- Todd Glenski, MD, Missouri Society of Anesthesiologists
- Henson Sullivan, Private Citizen
- Jenny Nolan, Private Citizen
- Landon Streed, Private Citizen
- Mason Spellmeier, Private Citizen
- Olvia Woodruff, Private Citizen
- Rachel Luptak Bayer, Private Citizen
- Ty Townsend, Private Citizen
- Tyler Werth, Private Citizen

Opponents:

- Jeremy Salisbury, Private Citizen
- Donna Nyght, Private Citizen
- Kaitlin Adair, Private Citizen
- Sonia Slaba, Private Citizen
- Susan Hofman, Private Citizen

Neutral testimony:

- Susan Giles, Kansas State Board of Healing Arts

Introduction of Bills

[House Bill 2386](#) by the Committee on Appropriations, requested by Representative W. Carpenter – Concerning the Kansas Children's Health Insurance Program; relating to eligibility; updating income requirements therefor.