



News from the Capitol

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Legislative Update - Week #7

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Kansas Works - Hot Jobs Listings

Attached [here](#) is the weekly Hot Jobs List from KansasWorks for the Manhattan area. Statewide listings may be found [here](#).

Page Information

If you have a student that would like to be a page for the Legislature, please contact my office at 785.296.7657, or via [email](#). Dates are available in March. To serve as a page you must be 12 years of age or older.

Save The Date - Saturday, March 30th at 7:30 am

It was great to see all those who joined us for the February Legislative Coffee sponsored by the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce. I urge all of you to save the date for the next meeting: **Saturday, March 30th at 7:30 am at the Sunset Zoo Visitor's Center.**

To Voice Your Opinion

If you have concerns about any bills or chamber activity, do not hesitate to contact myself and the respective leadership:

HOUSE

Speaker of the House

House Majority Leader

[Ron Ryckman](#) - 785.296.2302



[Daniel Hawkins](#) - 785.296.7662



SENATE

Senate President

[Susan Wagle](#) - 785.296.2419



Senate Vice President

[Jeff Longbine](#) - 785.296.7361



Among those bills "blessed" and still alive are:

[HB 2173](#) - The Industrial Hemp Act

[HB 2066](#) - Updating requirements for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

We now wait potential committee action, or for the Speaker to place these bills before the Chamber for a vote.

Turnaround

Thursday was "Turnaround" Day in the Legislature. This first of the deadlines for the session, requires all bills in non-exempt committees to be heard and passed out of their respective chamber and turned over to the other chamber. The Speaker did "bless" a number of bills, which may be continued past the turnaround deadline. After turnaround, House committees will work bills passed by the Senate. Turnaround rules do not apply to exempt committees: [Federal and State Affairs](#), [Taxation](#), and [Appropriations](#).

March 7th - SB 22: Brownback Tax Plan is Back

Thursday, March 7th, the House Floor will debate a return of the Brownback Tax Plan in [SB 22](#). This bill allows those individuals who take advantage of the Trump Administration's increased standard deduction to itemize on their state returns. SB 22 also is a huge cash giveaway to multinational corporations doing business in the state, and allows repatriated foreign income to face minimal taxation at the state level. This is a return to the failed tax policy of the former governor, which detonated a hole in our state budget. Final Action vote will be on Friday, March 8th.

Legislative Activity

Tuesday and Wednesday, last week, forty-four (44) pieces of legislation were voted out of the Chamber and sent to the Senate, a full list may be found [here](#). Some locally significant ones were:

[HB 2215](#): Allows the State Fair Board to establish a non-profit corporation for fundraising.

[HB 2006](#): Requires all Economic Development Initiative Programs to be compiled into a searchable online database.

[HB 2167](#): Allows landowners to transfer their deer hunting permits to out of state guests.

[HB 2360](#): Alters the background check process for those supervising children and the elderly.

[HB 2279](#): Requires victim notification prior to the release of domestic violence offenders.

These bills are now before the Senate and its committees. Any input can be addressed to the respective committee chairpersons or the Senate Leadership:

Washington Days

March 1st and 2nd, was the annual Washington Days gathering of the Kansas Democratic Party. Washington Days is a state party fundraiser, and the biennial election of state party officers.

Vicki Hiatt was elevated from her current Vice-Chair post to that of Chair of the Kansas Democratic Party. Wichita City Councilman, Brandon Johnson, was elected Vice-

Chair. George Hanna was elected Secretary, Gina Long was elected Treasurer. I look forward to the new goals and direction the newly elected state officials set for our party.

International Women's Day

March 7th, House members will introduce a resolution recognizing women who have/are making a difference in the international arena.

Upcoming Legislation

The remainder of session will be spent reviewing Senate action and finalizing budget proposals. My committee's schedules and pending issues may be found below.

[House Appropriations Committee](#)

[House Agriculture and Natural Resources Budget](#)

[House Agriculture Committee](#)

The House has the following bills scheduled for hearings:

March 7- [SCR 1606](#): Condemning the reproductive health act of New York. ([Federal and State Affairs Committee](#))

March 12 - [SB 49](#): Allows the secretary of the Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism to establish fees for cabins and camping permits at state parks. ([Agriculture Committee](#))

March 13 - [HCR 5009](#): Making application to the US Congress to call a Convention of States. ([Federal and State Affairs Committee](#))

If you would like to provide testimony or input, contact the respective committee chair.



K-State Doctoral Student in Chemistry, Obdulia Corvarrubias-Zambrano and Representative Carlin.



Representative Carlin and Erin Ward, KSU Graduate Student in Food, Nutrition, and Dietetics.

Keep In Touch

It is a special honor to serve as your State Representative. I value and need your input on the various issues facing our community and the state government. Please contact me with your

comments and questions.

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You can call my office at (785) 296-7657, or the legislative hotline (800) 432-3924 to leave a message.

Email at sydney.carlin@house.ks.gov

Please follow [my legislative activity](#) or the [entire session](#).

Thank you!

A stylized, cursive signature of Sydney Carlin in black ink, set against a white rectangular background.

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