



THE TRUTH REPORT

A Weekly Rundown of Important Activity in Topeka, from a Principled Perspective

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“... let us reaffirm our commitment to a timeless American idea: that government exists not to rule the people, but to serve the people.” -Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Topeka, KS

As the Chiefs celebrate victory in Kansas City, things are busy in Topeka. The bill count is almost at 700. With the deadline to submit new bills having already passed, everyone is rushing to get their ideas/bills heard and across the House or Senate floor. China is becoming more and more of a problem Corona to balloons and now inferior Super Bowl grass. When are we going to make them stop?

The most entertaining things to happen recently were two hearings. The first was a hearing on education savings accounts, while the second featured an adult man, who identifies as a woman, testifying in support of prohibiting biological males from playing sports with biological females—to the consternation and confusion of the liberals (video below).

Meanwhile, the assault from the left is ongoing. The governor's office is looking to replace its funding, lost from the food tax removal, with funding from new sources (HB 2387). Tax cuts don't work without spending cuts. What was the point of cutting food taxes if we simply accept the same taxes through a different route?

Conservative Offense

Women's Bill of Rights. SB 180, or the Women's Bill of Rights, aims to protect women from infringements on their liberties by clarifying who women actually are and by stating the rights to which they are entitled. According to the bill, women, or biological females, have historically suffered discrimination based on their sex. This has carried on into the modern day, with biological males, who claim to be trans women, joining women's sports teams and entering their restrooms and changing rooms. In order to promote equal rights for women, SB 180 clearly states that the identity of a woman is defined by science and that separate facilities for men and women are not unequal—

rather, they protect women from potential predators—including in state prisons. The bill goes on to require that public entities that collect information in order to observe anti-discrimination laws, such as schools and state agencies, identify the sex assigned at birth of the individuals in their data sets.

[SB 180](#)

Fairness in Girls' Sports. HB 2238 is about fairness and valuing women. We believe in science, which states that there are two genders: male and female. Women are valuable, and supporting competition between females and biological males who identify as "females" devalues women. During the hearing for this bill, radicals suggested that asking questions regarding the LGBTQXYZ+ issue, much less submitting bills, was killing kids and increasing depression. In actuality, depression and suicidal rates among children, especially those with gender dysphoria, are increasing because of the LGBTQICW% agenda. This agenda idolizes one's personal sexual gratification above all else. It eliminates the satisfaction, security, and sense of purpose found in being raised by traditional mother-and-father family unit while striving to create its own fake versions of these qualities. Virtue-signaling adults push this agenda to feel better about themselves—not to help children. This sexualizing of children and propagation of individual sexual gratification above all else will continue to degrade the mental, physical, and spiritual health of our nation.

[HB 2238](#)

Education Savings Accounts. HB 2218 passed committee this week. This bill would allow parents, rather than the state, to decide how to spend part of the education dollars for their child. Parents would be equipped with an ESA and would be able to direct its funds towards tuition, textbooks, tutoring, uniforms, etc. as they see fit. These funds would add up to around \$5,000, which is the state's entire portion. Currently, each student receives over \$18,000 on average from different level of government. Spending \$5,000 is cheaper, but more importantly, it gives money back to the people. Opponents of this bill were concerned that too many parents would choose to enroll their children in schools run by satanic cults. Even if a satanic cult school existed in Kansas, which it does not, the idea that Kansan parents would choose it for their child is brainless.

The school system wants to have complete control of your child's education regardless of what the parents want. You would think they would be happy with the fact that they would still receive \$13,000—without the cost of that student—and could use that extra cash for other things. However, KASB, KNEA, and AFT find any questioning of their complete domination of our children and slaughter of students' critical reasoning unacceptable. The academic achievement of their children and the excellence of their child's education is every parent's concern. It is obvious that these organizations and liberals do not care about students' future. Their stance on this policy indicates that they prioritize money, power, and being woke.

[HB 2218](#)
[Hearing Excerpt](#)
[Hearing Video](#)

Born Alive. HB 2313 would require babies who were born during and/or survived an abortion to be protected. Currently, babies who come out of the mother alive during an abortion are left to die. This is unacceptable and needs to be changed. If the same baby and mother were in a hospital, massive resources, personnel, and effort would be used to save the child.

[HB 2313](#)

Supreme Court Justice Qualification. HB 2357 would add a qualification requirement for state supreme court justices. This additional requirement would be that 2/3 of the senate deems the appointed judge qualified.

[HB 2357](#)

Human Smuggling. HB 2350 defines human smuggling and aggravated human smuggling—creating consequences for both. Currently, there is no state law against human smuggling. According to the bill, knowingly harboring, transporting, or hiding a person who is in the United States illegally constitutes human smuggling. Furthermore, if the person is harbored against their will—that is, threatened with a weapon or harmed physically or sexually—that act constitutes aggravated human smuggling. The bill had its hearing this week.

[HB 2350](#)

Discriminatory Covenants. HB 2376 would remove discrimination on deeds, titles, and covenants. For example, there is a covenant in Wichita that states that Black Americans cannot purchase homes in that area. This bill would erase any discrimination like the above and others based on race, religion, and gender. Liberals are arguing against this bill because, while it protects current protected categories, it does not add in sexual orientation or gender identity. They also add that it does not protect veteran status. It is highly offensive to veterans to be lumped in with, debased, and used as a tool for those struggling with sexual issues.

[HB 2376](#)

Decreasing Sales Tax. HB 2318 would decrease the state sales tax to 6.15% from 6.5%.

[HB 2318](#)

Flat Tax. SB 169 is the latest flat tax proposal on personal income tax. The bill would tax every taxpayer above a certain income level at 4.75%. The deduction amount is set so that people taxed in the lowest income bracket would pay the exact same amount that they do now.

[SB 169](#)

Student Pronouns. SB 207 mandates that schools have permission from parents to refer to a child by a pronoun that does not match their biological sex. Parents are in charge. It is not the school's job to decide what a child needs and whether information on that child should be hidden from their parent.

Kansas Child Mutilation Prevention Act. SB 233, or the Kansas Child Mutilation Prevention Act, sets the stage for SB 12 (criminalizing gender reassignment services on persons under the age of 21) by allowing persons who had sex reassignment surgery or other sex-altering procedures performed on them as a child to bring a civil cause of action against the doctor who performed said procedures. Actions against these doctors must be commenced on or before the individual's 21st birthday. Should the doctor be found guilty of performing sex-altering procedures on the individual as a minor, the doctor's license must be revoked. This bill would force doctors to consider carefully before performing a sex-altering (and life-altering) surgery upon a child.

[SB 12](#)
[SB 233](#)

Eddie the Eagle. SB 116 passed the Senate yesterday. It would allow schools to teach gun safety to students through a certified program if they so desire. Guns are tools, and we support any effort to use those tools responsibly.

[SB 116](#)

Safe and Secure Audits. HB 2278 would require the inspection of 10 school districts annually to rate how well they are meeting the State School Board's Safe and Secure program, which has implemented rules and procedures to prevent school violence. This audit attempts to test the schools on how well they are following those rules. For security reasons, even if this bill passed, these audits will not be public.

[HB 2278](#)

Convention of States. Two resolutions petitioning for the convention of states are making their way through the House side. One has passed committee, and the other has had its hearing. The key to these bills is that a petition must cite a specific purpose for the convention and that that purpose must match the other 2/3 of the states' purposes. There have been over 200 petitions for a COS, but there has never been a convention for this reason. The two purposes in these resolutions are fiscal restraints on the federal government and term limits for members of Congress.

[HCR 5005](#)
[HCR 5008](#)

Kansas Legal Tender Act. HB 2405, or the Kansas Legal Tender act, validates government-issued or court-approved gold and silver coins as a form of legal tender. In all legal matters, these coins would be regarded in the same way as paper money: while they may be used to pay taxes, the coins may not be taxed as property. Additionally, the gains achieved by selling these coins for fiat will be subtracted from the federal gross income.

[HB 2405](#)

Taxpayer Paid Abortions. Senate Bill 206 intends to promote abortion by removing legislation that requires doctors to inform clients of the risks of getting an abortion, by allowing insurance companies to cover abortions, and by forcing taxpayers to indirectly fund abortion clinics. This means that doctors no longer need to inform women of the potential complications that can result from the procedure and that employers can be rewarded through tax credits for contributing to their employees' abortions, whether through insurance or a health savings account. Through this act, not just employers but citizens of Kansas may fund abortions—as taxpayers' dollars can be redirected toward supporting abortion clinics. As if this wasn't bad enough, Senate Bill 206 would also allow abortion clinics to educate public school students about sexuality and sexual health...from their perspective. In order to protect the unborn of Kansas, it is imperative that this bill dies.

[SB 206](#)

Locking up Firearms. HB 2143 would limit Kansan's rights to bear arms by requiring that all firearms and stun guns be kept in secure, locked containers at the state's discretion. Furthermore, should any minor come upon a gun that is not properly locked away and come to harm by the weapon, the fact that the gun was not locked in a storage container would be used against the gun-owner in court as evidence of reckless conduct. Lastly, this bill would outlaw all magazines above 10 rounds in the state. Although HB 2143 does not remove the right to bear arms outright, it does severely limit a person's ability to practice self-defense.

Upcoming Topics

Abortion Pill Reversal. Soon, a bill will be introduced that would require a notice to accompany the two-pill series for abortion, otherwise known as the abortion pill. This notice would list the steps to potentially save the fetus if the mother changed her mind after taking the first pill.

Med School Acceptance Factors. Medical schools across the country are starting to accept students based on their race and/or sexual orientation over academic excellence. Two schools have already discontinued using the MCAT entirely. The organization Do No Harm found, through a FOIA request, that KU reported its medical school to be 70% diverse. The standard for woke medical schools across the country is to reach 85% "diversity." Expect a bill soon ensuring that academic excellence is the primary factor in medical school admissions. Producing as many excellent doctors as possible will improve medical care for everyone—especially for underserved communities that need increased access to that excellent care.

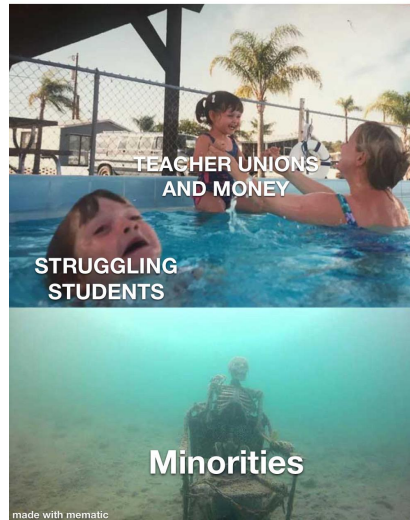
Medicaid Expansion. The Truth Caucus is 100% against Medicaid Expansion. We want to help our mentally and/or physically disabled citizens, and we also want to give a hand up to our citizens that have fallen on rough times. However, we will not support giving handouts or paying able-bodied adults to not work.

[Losing Private Insurance](#)
[Medicaid and CHIP Sufficient Coverage](#)

Marijuana. Legalizing marijuana in any form has the potential to expand government, limit individual liberty, and destroy traditional values.

ESG. A bill is in the works regarding ESG. With an anticipated decline in the economy, we want to protect our citizens from outside influences that could prevent them from choosing the wisest investments for their portfolios. Instead, we wish to create an investment environment that provides our citizens with an opportunity to make money in a safe and secure manner.

DEMOCRATS AND SCHOOL CHOICE



Thank You! That's it for this week!

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