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Governor Signs Bipartisan Bill to Expand Teacher Workforce Gov. Also Signs Bill to Increase Access to Higher Education for Veterans

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly signed Senate Bill 66, a bipartisan bill that allows Kansas to join the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact, making it easier for educators within the multi-state agreement to move to and work in Kansas. The bill also expands scholarship opportunities for Kansans studying to become teachers.

“Teacher shortages have been a challenge across the country, but it has been particularly tough on our rural communities,” said Governor Laura Kelly. “This bill addresses the teacher shortage here in Kansas by helping to fill vacancies with qualified educators who want to move to our state. That’s good for our students, for our rural communities, and for our growing economy.”

“I am so proud that Governor Kelly has signed SB 66 into law,” Senator Pat Pettey, Kansas Senate District 6, said. “This bipartisan legislation preserves the existing state-based licensure system while creating an alternative path to licensure for teachers relocating to and from a compact state. Not only does this create an agreed-upon regulatory framework for teacher reciprocity, it also speeds up the application process for relocating licensees, reduces time and resources spent by licensing agencies, and adds one more tool to the State Board of Education Licensure tool box.”

In addition to Senate Bill 66, Governor Kelly signed Senate Bill 123, which will grow Kansas’ educator workforce by expanding the Promise Scholarship program

to students pursuing degrees in elementary and secondary education. The bill also creates the Adult Learner Grant Act, a grant for adult learners pursuing certain fields of study. It also creates an incentive program for schools to support students pursuing careers and technical education and allows veterans and their families to qualify for in-state tuition.

“Investing in education at every level is not only good for our students, but good for our economy,” said Governor Laura Kelly. “As the daughter of a career Army officer, I’m pleased with the steps this bill takes to make college more affordable for heroes who have served and for their dependents. This bill invests in our students looking to pursue a degree, career, or technical education right here in Kansas, and will keep our workforce strong.”

“As a military child myself, I knew the pain of having to move out of a school district that I had grown to love,” said Senator Jeff Pittman. “Military dependents make daily sacrifices, experiencing fears and distinct challenges as a result of their parents serving our country; they are forced to break relationships as they move and often find themselves on an island adrift from a geographic home. I was proud to be one of the two sponsors of SB 123 to give in-state college tuition to military dependents who have been previously stationed in Kansas but have since been deployed elsewhere. For a community that sacrifices so much, this is a small way for Kansas to say ‘welcome home.’”



“We must use every resource available to ensure students at all levels have the tools and opportunities they need to thrive,” said Cynthia Lane, Member of the Kansas Board of Regents. “This bill opens up doors for our students pursuing higher education, whether at a four-year institution, a community college, or a technical school, and eliminates barriers to their success. I’d like to thank Governor Kelly and the legislature for coming together on such an important and impactful issue.”

Governor Kelly also signed three other bipartisan bills into law:

Senate Bill 132: Provides for the buffalo soldier distinctive license

plate.

Senate Bill 189: Requires applicants seeking employment in law enforcement to disclose previous employment records, including any misconduct.

House Sub for Senate Bill 116: Removes fees for obtaining a license to carry concealed handguns, eliminating a barrier to safety training for concealed carry.

Governor Kelly also vetoed Senate Bill 26, Senate Bill 180, Senate Bill 228, and Senate Substitute for House Bill 2138. The vetoes come after certain discriminatory and federally non-compliant provisions were added to SB 228 and S Sub HB 2138.

Consumer Connection: Spring clean your investments this Financial Literacy Month

Topeka, Kan. – For many, the arrival of spring is the time to clean, reorganize, and declutter their home after spending months inside. But you should not stop there. This spring, consider adding checking-up on your investments and finances to your spring-cleaning to-do list. April is Financial Literacy Month in Kansas, and it is the perfect opportunity to take simple steps towards improving your overall financial health by reviewing your investments.

“Investors can become complacent with their funds when the returns are steady, only to be surprised down the road because they weren’t being proactive with their accounts,” Kansas Insurance Commissioner Vicki

Schmidt said. “Taking time for an annual review of your investments is always a wise financial move.”

Schmidt recommends taking the following steps this month to review your investments:

Check in with your investment adviser. If you have not checked in with your investment adviser since last spring, do it now, even if you are not looking to make major changes in your investment strategy. A regular check-in ensures accountability and often investors may find a forgotten investment they made years ago

no longer fits with their current investment strategy. If you do not have an investment adviser but are considering one, use the BrokerCheck tool available at SmartInvestKS.com to check that they are properly registered as a financial professional in Kansas.

Revisit your retirement. Use your investment check-in as an excuse to research your retirement fund or pension. Take a deep dive into the holdings and investment strategies of your investment funds or pension and research what types of invest-

ments are in your account. It is also wise to consider rebalancing your retirement account. When you rebalance, you restore the allocation in your portfolio to your original target or adjust it to fit any change in your investment objectives. If you have multiple 401(k)s from past jobs, transferring or rolling over any old accounts is a smart housecleaning move that can save money and time.

Houseclean your accounts. It is very important to review your investment statements. But if you have a bunch of different statements arriving periodically that you do not open, check to see whether you have multiple funds with the same investment objective and consider merging them in order to cut down on the amount you receive. Then, shred what you no longer need. If you do not log in to all your accounts regularly, make sure you are still able to sign in and access your statements digitally.

Visit SmartInvestKS.com to learn more about investing and to test your financial knowledge with an Investor Knowledge Quiz. For more investing resources, visit www.nasaa.org and www.finra.org, and contact the Office of the Kansas Securities Commissioner, a division of the Kansas Insurance Department, at 785-296-3071 if you have questions about a securities issue in Kansas.

The Office of the Kansas Securities Commissioner, a division of the Kansas Insurance Department, regulates investment sales in Kansas--the birthplace of “Blue Sky Laws.” In 2017, the Office was merged with the Kansas Insurance Department.



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Anyone who believes in the mission of The League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC is eligible to join us. Being part of the conversation will bring us together with all of society.

The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) is the largest and oldest Hispanic and Latino civil rights organization in the United States.[2] It was established on February 17, 1929, in Corpus Christi, Texas, largely by Hispanics returning from World War I who sought to end ethnic discrimination against Latinos in the United States. The goal of LULAC is to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, housing, health, and civil rights of Hispanic people in the United States. LULAC uses nationwide councils and group community organizations to achieve all these goals. LULAC has about 132,000 members in the United States.

Council 11085 has LULAC members in the counties of Douglas, Johnson and Wyandotte (Kansas) – Clay and Jackson (Missouri).

Join us at the monthly Zoom meetings – the second Saturday of each month at 2 p.m.

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By Sharon Hoover

Comin' & Goin' Turner Style

cleaning up the pollinator garden and a new pump was installed in the aquaponics building. This year the aquaponics project will be raising catfish. Several activities involving children residing the Turner School District are scheduled for this month and May.

The K-State Garden Hour's zoom presentation is "Drought Tolerant Plants for a Challenging Kansas Landscape" on May 3 at 12 pm. The speaker will be Jason Graves, KSRE Central Kansas District. As with all presentations, if you miss it, you can find it on the website <http://ksre-learn.com/KStateGardenHour>.

WYCO Master Gardeners has scheduled a zoom presentation "Thinking outside the Box: Clematis, Uses and Care" on May 11 at

11:30 am. The speaker will be Linda Beutle, an international author and lecturer. She is past president of the International Clematis Society and has taught horticulture since 1996.

I promised and now I have a date for Rosedale Cleanup- April 29. Hope I'm not too late to get this in.

The Unified Government has several job openings and is holding a Career Expo at Memorial Hall, 600 N 7th St. on May 11, 2023, from 4 pm-7 pm.

The KC Public Library is currently seeking applicants. They have scheduled a career readiness zoom presentation for those who want to brush up on their job skills on May 18 from 2pm-3pm. To get the link go to <https://kckpl.librarymarket.com/event/career-readiness-skills>.

The Argentine community is

holding "Fiesta Argentine" at Emerson Park on May 6 to celebrate Cinco de Mayo. This is a fun event for all ages with activities, food trucks, and more.

Just finished "I Will Find You" by Harlan Coben about an innocent man who is convicted of killing his son but sees a photo of a boy who strongly resembles his child. The story follows his plight to find the boy including breaking out of jail. Implausible as far as I was concerned but fairly interesting. Coben is one of my favorite writers, however this novel did not rock my world.

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Slam the Scam with Social Security

The Social Security Administration and its Office of the Inspector General (OIG) continued to raise public awareness about Social Security imposter scams during the fourth annual “Slam the Scam” Day held in March. Social Security scams — where fraudsters pressure victims into making cash or gift card payments to fix alleged Social Security number problems or to avoid arrest—are an ongoing government imposter fraud scheme. For several years, Social Security impersonation scams have been

one of the most common government imposter scams reported to the Federal Trade Commission. We’ve made concerted efforts to address this issue, through extensive outreach and investigative initiatives. These efforts have made a significant impact, reducing money reported lost to Social Security scams by 30 percent from 2021 to 2022.

“I am proud of the work we have done to combat Social Security imposter scams and raise public awareness,” said Kilolo Kijakazi, Acting Commissioner

SCAM

of Social Security. “We will continue to use every tool at our disposal to protect the public and their critical benefits. We urge Americans to remain vigilant, do not give out personal information or money, and report any scam attempts.”

Scammers use sophisticated tactics to trick potential victims into disclosing personal and financial information. Typically, they use the five P’s – Pretend, Prize or Problem, Pressure, and Payment. For example, scammers pretend they are from Social Security in phone calls or emails and claim there is a problem with the person’s Social Security number. The scammer’s caller ID may be spoofed to look like a legitimate government number. Scammers may also send fake documents to pressure people into complying with demands for information or money. Other common tactics include citing “badge numbers” and using fraudulent Social Security letterhead to target individuals for payment or personal information.

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- Tell you that your Social Security number is suspended.
- Contact you to demand an immediate payment.
- Threaten you with arrest.
- Ask for your credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
- Request gift cards or cash.

- Promise a Social Security benefit approval or increase in exchange for information or money.

Our employees do contact the public by telephone for business purposes. Ordinarily, we call people who recently applied for benefits, are already receiving payments and require updates to their record or requested a phone call from us. If there is a problem with a person’s Social Security number or record, we will mail a letter.

“Working with our law enforcement and private sector partners to inform consumers about scammers and their deceptive practices remains a priority for my office. We will continue promoting National Slam the Scam Day to help protect consumers from these predators. Slamming the scam begins with consumers quickly taking a step to hang up the phone, or delete suspicious texts and emails, without responding to the scammers,” said Gail S. Ennis, Inspector General for the Social Security Administration. “That remains the easiest and most effective method to avoid falling prey to these vicious scams.”

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Need more time to file taxes? It's easy to get an extension

WASHINGTON — As the tax deadline draws near, the Internal Revenue Service reminds taxpayers who need more time to file that getting an extension is quick and easy. An extension gives taxpayers an automatic six more months — until Oct. 16 this year — to file their tax return.

One of the easiest ways to get an extension is by using the IRS Free File program.

While an extension allows for extra time to gather, prepare and file paperwork, it's important to remember that an extension of time to file taxes is not an extension of time to pay.

Taxpayers who owe taxes should pay their entire obligation, or as much as they can, by the normal deadline to avoid penalties and interest. The deadline this year is April 18 because the regular date of April 15 falls on a weekend, followed by a holiday in the District of Columbia.

Use IRS Free File to get an extension online

A quick and easy way to get an extension is through IRS Free File on IRS.gov. All individual tax filers, regardless of income, can electroni-

cally request an extension on Form 4868 by using the IRS Free File program partner software on IRS.gov. To get the extension, taxpayers must estimate their tax liability on this form and file it by April 18.

Get an extension when making a payment

Other fast, free and easy ways to get an extension include using IRS Direct Pay, the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System or by paying with a credit or debit card or digital wallet. There's no need to file a separate Form 4868 extension request when making an electronic payment and indicating it's for an extension. The IRS will automatically count it as an extension.

Important reminders

The IRS reminds taxpayers that payments are still due by the original deadline even if they request an extension of time to file a tax return. Taxpayers should file even if they can't pay the full amount.

By filing either a return on time or requesting an extension by the April 18 filing deadline, they'll avoid the late-filing penalty, which can be 10 times as costly as the penalty for not paying.

Taxpayers who pay as much as

they can by the due date, reduce the overall amount subject to penalty and interest charges. The interest rate for an individual's unpaid taxes is currently 7%, compounded daily. The late-filing penalty is generally 5% per month and the late-payment penalty is normally 0.5% per month, both of which

max out at 25%. The IRS will work with taxpayers who cannot pay the full amount of tax they owe. Other options to pay, such as getting a loan or paying by credit card, may help resolve a tax debt. Most people can set up a payment plan on IRS.gov to pay off their balance over time.

Storm Damage and Insurance Claims

Topeka, Kan. — Kansas residents affected by recent severe weather should contact the Kansas Insurance Department if they have an issue with an insurance claim, Kansas Insurance Commissioner Vicki Schmidt said today. The Department has been in contact with local authorities in multiple counties and urges residents affected by storms to contact the Department if they need assistance.

"Severe weather in Kansas often means storm damage and insurance claims," Schmidt said. "If you have any questions about your insurance coverage after the storm or have an issue with an insurance claim in the coming weeks, please contact the Department."

If you or someone you know is having trouble with an insurance claim, please contact the Kansas Insurance Department's Consumer Assistance Division toll-free at 1-800-432-2484, by email kid.webcomplaints@ks.gov or visit the Department online atinsurance.kansas.gov for any claims-related questions or concerns.

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ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Turner Recreation Commission is accepting applications to fill a term of office on the Turner Recreation Commission Board, Position #5.

Application forms may be obtained at the Turner Recreation Commission Office, 831 South 55th Street, Kansas City, KS 66106. Deadline for applications is Friday, May 5, 2023.

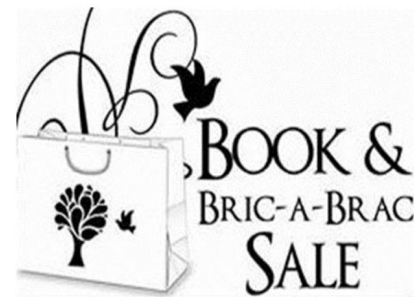
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ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS

The Board of Education, Unified School District No. 500, Kansas City, KS will accept sealed bids for: IFB 23-013 Asbestos Abatement for Washington High School. Sealed bids should be addressed to: Purchasing Department, Board of Education, 2010 N. 59th Street, Room 370, Kansas City, KS 66109 - "IFB No. 23-013- "Asbestos Abatement for Washington High School"

Bids will be opened 04/28/23 @ 2:00 PM in the Purchasing Office. Bid Documents are available at the Purchasing Department Office, at the above-address between 8 AM and 4 PM, M-F. Bid Documents are posted
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