



KANSAS STATE COUNCIL
SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT



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Below please find the list of bills introduced during the 2018 Legislative Session. These bills have been identified as issues which may impact the interest to the Society for Human Resource Management. Within the bill tracker you will find the bill number and its subject matter as well the current status of the bill and whether there is pending committee action on the bill. You may access the full text of the bill by holding down your computer control key and clicking on the bill number in the report. If you should have any questions or concerns regarding the bills below, please do not hesitate to contact our lobbyist, Natalie Bright, at natalie@brightcarpenter.com 316.640.1422.

Bill Number	Bill Sponsor	Bill Subject	Position	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
SB 180	Senate Judiciary Committee	Providing for law enforcement agencies to request and receive files concerning applicants previously employed by another state or local law enforcement agency		On General Orders in Senate	02/01/2018 - Senate Committee Report recommending bill be passed as amended by Judiciary	law enforcement
HB 2168	Troy L. Waymaster, R-109th	Enacting the ad astra rural jobs act	Monitor	In Senate Commerce	01/31/2018 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Commerce: Tuesday, 2/6, 8:30 AM, Rm 548-S	rural jobs act
HB 2461	Tim Hodge, D-72nd	Awarding costs and attorney fees to plaintiffs prevailing in unpaid wage claims	Oppose	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	01/12/2018 - House Referred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	unpaid wage claims

SB 339	Senate Commerce Committee	Making workers compensation death benefits adequate and equivalent with respect to recent benefit limit changes		In Senate Commerce	01/31/2018 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Commerce: Thursday, 2/8, 8:30 AM, Rm 548-S	workers compensation
HB 2361	House Appropriations Committee	Transferring administration of the state workers compensation self-insurance fund to the department of administration	Monitor	On General Orders in House	01/22/2018 - House Committee Report recommending bill be passed as amended by General Government Budget	workers compensation
HB 2487	House Insurance Committee	Authorizing the commissioner of insurance to provide for certain modifications of an employer's premium rates under a workers compensation insurance policy	Neutral	In House Insurance	01/24/2018 - House Scheduled Hearing in Insurance: Thursday, 2/1, 9:00 AM, Rm 281-N	workers compensation
HB 2544	House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Reducing the impact on workers compensation benefits from the receipt of retirement benefits	Oppose	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	01/26/2018 - House Referred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	workers compensation
HB 2586	House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Concerning workplace bullying; creating requirements for policies in state agencies		In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	02/01/2018 - House Referred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	workplace bullying
HB 2550	House Judiciary Committee	Removing caps on damages in wrongful death actions except those against certain healthcare providers	Oppose	In House Judiciary	01/26/2018 - House Referred to Judiciary	wrongful death