



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 421	Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Implementing restrictions on requirements for licensing of professional occupations		In Senate Federal and State Affairs	03/19/2018 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Federal and State Affairs: Thursday, 3/22, 10:30 AM, Rm 346-S	licensure
HB 2764	House Appropriations Committee	Affiliation with the Kansas police and firemen's retirement system by the Kansas department of wildlife, parks and tourism for membership of certain law enforcement officers and employees		On General Orders in House	03/14/2018 - House Committee Report recommending bill be passed as amended by Financial Institutions and Pensions	membership
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

SB 412	Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Unemployment benefits for privately contracted school bus drivers		In Senate Commerce	02/09/2018 - Senate Referred to Commerce	unemployment benefits
HB 2746	House Appropriations Committee	Unemployment benefits for privately contracted school bus drivers		In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	02/15/2018 - House Referred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	unemployment benefits
HB 2785	House Appropriations Committee	Lowering the period of disqualification of unemployment benefits upon false statement or representation, or knowing failure to disclose a material fact		In House General Government Budget	03/21/2018 - House Scheduled Final Action in General Government Budget: Thursday, 3/22, 1:30 PM, Rm 218-N	unemployment benefits
HB 2361	House Appropriations Committee	Transferring administration of the state workers compensation self-insurance fund to the department of administration	Monitor	In Senate Ways and Means	02/22/2018 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means	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 Appropriations	02/20/2018 - House Withdrawn from Insurance; referred to Appropriations	workers compensation
HB 2550	House Judiciary Committee	Removing caps on damages in wrongful death actions except those against certain healthcare providers	Oppose	In House Appropriations	02/13/2018 - House Withdrawn from Judiciary; referred to Appropriations	wrongful death