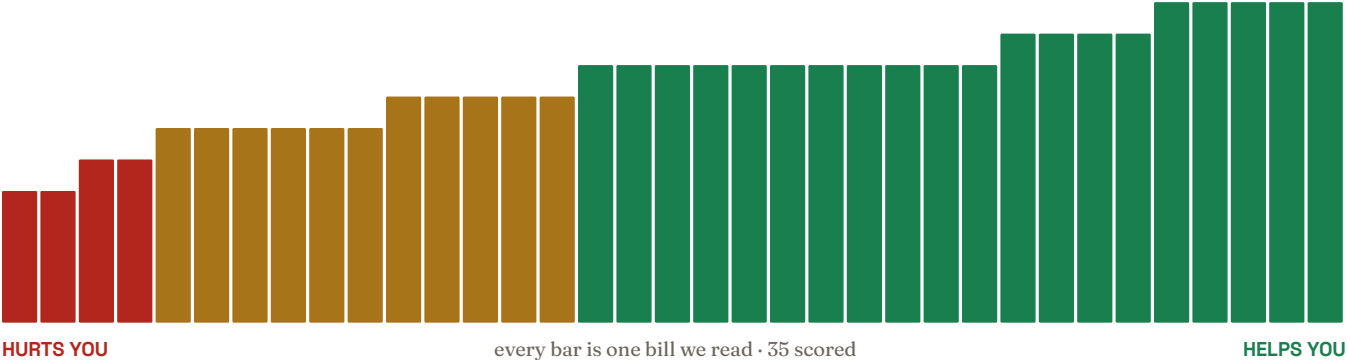




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Kansas Bill Book 2026

The Kansas bills that matter most, each scored 1–10 on one question: does it help everyday people, or the interests behind it?



Our take on the left. The bill on the right. Room for your notes.

Every spread is one bill, twice.

On the **left** is our take: the Billometer score, what the bill means for you, and the factor-by-factor reasoning behind that score. On the **right** is the bill on the record: its official title, its status, where to read the real text, and space for your own notes.

THE BILLOMETER

One number, 1 to 10, answering a single question: does this help everyday people or hurt them? 1–4 hurts, 5–6 is mixed, 7–10 helps. It is our editorial judgement — which is exactly why every page shows the reasoning behind it. If you disagree with a score, you can see precisely where you disagree.

HOW THESE BILLS WERE CHOSEN

Ranked, not cherry-picked. This edition prints the 10 lowest-scoring and 10 highest-scoring of the 35 Kansas bills we have fully analysed. A bill only qualifies if it passed our verification step, has a recorded official status, and has its reasoning attached. Thin entries are left out rather than padded. Note that only 143 bills in the entire country score 3 or below, so in most places the bottom of the list is not evil — it is merely mixed, and we label it that way.

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10 worst, 10 best

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7/10	HB2294	The Child Care Bill — Kansas cuts childcare licensing fees and training rules

The Lure Film Bill

Kansas offers tax breaks to lure film productions

KS SB52 · Money & Damages

3/10 **OBLITERATE**
Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If the bill passes, Kansas will give away tax money to film crews, so the state gets less cash for services. The crews get cheaper costs and may hire locals, but most of the gain goes to the production companies.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — requires legislative reports.
Secretary must issue reports to legislature
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — no impact on rights.
does not affect personal rights
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — tax credit reduces state revenue.
state loses tax revenue, taxpayers pay
- Process Transparency** (helps) — reporting adds oversight.
mandatory reports to legislature

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate · 2025-02-19 — passed
Yes 24R/9D · No 7R/0D

Enacting the Kansas film and digital media industry production development act, providing a tax credit and sales tax exemption to incentivize film, video and digital media production in Kansas, establishing a program to be administered by the secretary of commerce for the purpose of developing such production in Kansas and requiring the secretary of commerce to issue reports to the legislature regarding the program.

The Credit Railroad Bill

Kansas bill expands tax credit for railroad track upkeep

KS HB2469 · Money & Damages

3/10 **OBLITERATE**
Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

The bill helps railroads keep more money, which might lower shipping prices, but it also cuts state tax money that could pay for roads, schools, or other services people need.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — no new oversight.
bill adds tax credit, no extra accountability measures
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — no impact on rights.
does not affect individual legal rights
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — cost shift to taxpayers.
reduces state tax revenue, shifting cost to everyday Kansans
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — standard legislative process.
bill is in early stage, no special transparency provisions

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Railroad industry
Bearing the cost: State taxpayers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

THE BILL ITSELF

Expanding the income tax credit for qualified railroad track maintenance expenditures to allow credits against certain premium taxes, privilege fees and privilege taxes and allowing the transfer of unused credits to any individual or entity subject to such taxes.

KS HB2469

Introduced · recorded 2026-01-15

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would let railroad companies reduce the taxes they owe for track repairs and let them hand unused credits to anyone who pays similar fees.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Railroad industry

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (KS HB2469) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2469/

LegiScan — HB2469 — <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2469/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2469-083892

YOUR NOTES

The Patient Records Bill

Kansas bill lets doctors charge for patient records

KS HB2683 • Healthcare & Insurance

4/10

OBLITERATE

Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Families could more easily get a dead relative's records, but living patients might have to pay extra to see their own charts. That could add cost and slow down treatment.

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — neutral.
Bill does not change oversight of providers.
- Rights & Protections** (hurts) — negative.
Adds fees that limit easy access to personal health records.
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — negative.
Shifts cost of records from providers to patients.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — neutral.
Bill is newly introduced; no new transparency measures.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

Allowing healthcare providers to charge fees to furnish a patient's healthcare records and providing for the disclosure of a deceased patient's healthcare records to certain individuals.

Introduced · recorded 2026-02-04

Kansas doctors could charge patients for copies of their medical records, making it harder for people to get their own health information.

Healthcare providers

Official text (KS HB2683) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2683/

LegiScan – HB2683 – <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2683/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2683-107607

The Endowment Donations Bill

Kansas bill offers tax credits for endowment donations

KS HB2208 • Money & Damages

4/10

OBLITERATE

Hurts everyday people

1 • hurts you

helps you • 10

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

The credit could lower state revenue, meaning taxpayers may pay more, while donors get a personal tax break, so everyday people should watch the debate.

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (neutral) — no change.

bill does not alter oversight

Rights & Protections (neutral) — no change.

does not affect legal rights

Who Bears the Cost (hurts) — tax credit shifts cost.

state revenue loss means taxpayers pay

Process Transparency (neutral) — standard.

bill follows normal legislative process

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: donors

Bearing the cost: state revenue/taxpayers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

Establishing the endow Kansas tax credit act to provide tax credits for endowment gifts to certain endowment funds held by qualified community foundations.

Introduced · recorded 2025-02-03

The bill would let donors claim a state tax credit when they give money to certain community foundation endowments.

The Wealthy / Donors

Official text (KS HB2208) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2208/

LegiScan – HB2208 – <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2208/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2208-952138

The Charter & Charity Bill

Kansas cuts fintech charter fee and adds charity tax credit

KS HB2235 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad

1 • hurts you

helps you • 10

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If passed, Kansas could see more fintech firms opening, which might give people more banking options, but the lower fees also mean the state gets less money, and the tax credit could help charities.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — Neutral impact on oversight.
The bill adds supervision by the state bank commissioner but does not change...
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — No direct effect on consumer rights.
The text does not alter consumer protection rules.
- Who Bears the Cost** (neutral) — Fee reduction shifts cost away from applicants.
Lower charter fees reduce costs for fintech firms, not increasing costs for the public.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Procedural steps unchanged.
The bill does not change how applications are reviewed beyond fee changes.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Industry
Bearing the cost: State

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

THE BILL ITSELF

Updating provisions of the technology-enabled fiduciary financial institutions (TEFFI) act by making the act part of the state banking code, adjusting and providing certain definitions, reducing the TEFFI charter application fee, authorizing the issuance of certificates and trust certificates, providing for the supervision of TEFFIs by the state bank commissioner and including Kansas nonprofit corporations as qualified charities for the TEFFI income tax credit.

KS HB2235

Introduced · recorded 2025-02-04

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would lower the fee for fintech banks to get a charter, let them be overseen by the state bank commissioner, and let nonprofits count for a tax credit.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Financial institutions

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (KS HB2235) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2235/

LegiScan — HB2235 — <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2235/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2235-954136

YOUR NOTES

The Kids Health Bill

Kansas looks to change kids' health insurance eligibility

KS HB2386 • Healthcare & Insurance

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If the bill passes, families could see more children gain health coverage or, if thresholds rise, some could lose it, so parents should watch the debate now.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — No clear change to who can sue or be sued..
The bill only adjusts eligibility thresholds.
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — Rights to health coverage may shift, but impact unknown..
Eligibility changes could expand or restrict coverage.
- Who Bears the Cost** (neutral) — Cost impact not specified..
No detail on funding or who pays extra.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Bill is only introduced, no voting record yet..
Legislative process is still early.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

THE BILL ITSELF

Updating income eligibility requirements for the state children's health insurance program.

KS HB2386

 Introduced · recorded 2025-02-14

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would change which families qualify for Kansas' children's health insurance, affecting who can get coverage and who must pay more.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (KS HB2386) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2386/

LegiScan — HB2386 — <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2386/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2386-971277

YOUR NOTES

The Create Insurance Bill

New bill could create insurance savings accounts for everyone

KS SB25 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, it might help some people save for insurance, but it could also benefit companies more. It's important to think about who really gains from this.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (neutral) — Neutral effect on accountability..

The bill does not increase or decrease accountability for insurers.

Rights & Protections (neutral) — No significant rights changes..

The bill does not impact the rights of consumers directly.

Who Bears the Cost (helps) — Potential cost savings for users..

Users may save money on insurance costs through these accounts.

Process Transparency (neutral) — No change in transparency..

The process for using these accounts is not clearly defined.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

Enacting the insurance savings account act, allowing individuals and corporations to establish insurance savings accounts with certain financial institutions, providing eligible expenses, requirements and restrictions for such accounts and establishing addition and subtraction modifications under the Kansas income tax act.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-16

This bill would let people and companies open special savings accounts for insurance costs, which could help them save money.

Big Business

Official text (KS SB25) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/sb25/

LegiScan – SB25 – <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/SB25/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-sb25-924928

The Biodiesel Sales Bill

Tax credits for biodiesel sales could boost producers

KS HB2161 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, it could help biodiesel companies earn more money. But it might not help everyday people much, so we should think about it carefully.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — Tax credits benefit producers..

The bill provides financial support to biodiesel producers through tax credits.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Biodiesel producers

Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

THE BILL ITSELF

Providing an income tax credit for the sale and distribution of biodiesel and renewable diesel blends for motor vehicle fuels.

KS HB2161

 Introduced · recorded 2025-01-30

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would give money back to companies selling biodiesel, which could help them make more fuel.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Big Business

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (KS HB2161) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2161/

LegiScan — HB2161 — <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2161/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2161-948598

YOUR NOTES

The Kids Outside Bill

Kansas proposes tax credit for kids outside public schools

KS HB2156 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Citizens should watch this bill because it could give a tax break to families who send kids to private schools, but it also cuts state revenue for other services.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — no change.
bill does not affect oversight or accountability mechanisms
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — no change.
does not alter any legal rights
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — tax credit reduces revenue.
state loses tax revenue, shifting cost to other taxpayers
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — standard legislative process.
bill is introduced and referred to committee

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

Establishing the education opportunity tax credit to provide an income tax credit for taxpayers with eligible dependent children who are not enrolled in public school.

KS HB2156

Families with children not in public school could claim a state income tax credit, lowering the amount of tax they owe.

Everyday People

Official text (KS HB2156) – https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2156/

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2156-946174

The Orders Child Bill

Kansas bill orders child services to check welfare eligibility data

KS HB2360 • Consumer Protection

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Citizens should watch this bill because it could tighten eligibility checks and make some families lose benefits, while the state hopes to catch fraud and save money.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (neutral) — neutral.
Bill asks secretary to review data, no new oversight mechanisms.

Rights & Protections (hurts) — potentially reduces.
Stricter data checks could limit some people's access to benefits.

Who Bears the Cost (neutral) — neutral.
No clear shift of costs to taxpayers or recipients.

Process Transparency (helps) — increase.
Requires the secretary to compare data, which may make eligibility decisions clearer.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

Directing the secretary for children and families to review and compare data for public assistance program eligibility.

KS HB2360

The Renters Property Bill

Kansas renters might get property tax refunds

KS HB2074 • Housing & Property

9/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would help renters by giving them a chance to get some money back from property taxes. Right now, only people who own their homes can get these refunds. If this bill passes, it could mean more money in renters' pockets, making housing a little bit cheaper for them. It's important for people to pay attention now while the bill is still being discussed, to make sure renters get a fair shot at these refunds.

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — Neutral.
The bill does not directly change how accountable the government is.
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — Expands access to a benefit.
This bill would expand who can get a property tax refund, giving more people access to a...
- Who Bears the Cost** (helps) — Shifts costs away from renters.
If passed, this bill would allow renters to get money back, shifting some of the property...
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Normal legislative process.
The bill is moving through the regular committee process.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

- Pushing for it:** Homestead renters
- Bearing the cost:** Kansas state budget

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 23D)

Including homestead renters as eligible to participate in certain homestead property tax refund claims.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-23

This bill would let renters get some money back from property taxes, which could help them save money.

Everyday People

Official text (KS HB2074) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2074/

LegiScan – HB2074 – <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2074/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2074-937876

The Tell Renters Bill

Kansas landlords would tell renters more, limit late fees

KS HB2666 · Housing & Property

9/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would help people renting homes by making sure they get important information upfront. It would also put limits on how much landlords can charge if rent is paid late. This means fewer surprises for renters and protection from very high fees that can make it hard to catch up. Landlords might say these new rules add extra work for them. Since this bill is just starting, now is a good time to let your lawmakers know if...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (helps) — Landlords would be more accountable for providing key information..

The bill requires certain disclosures to be made to prospective tenants, increasing...

Rights & Protections (helps) — Tenants would gain more protection from hidden information and excessive fees..

Prospective tenants would receive required disclosures, and fees for late rent payments...

Who Bears the Cost (helps) — Tenants would likely save money on late fees, while landlords might see reduced income from those fees..

Restrictions on late payment fees would likely reduce costs for tenants who pay late...

Process Transparency (neutral) — The official text does not provide information on process transparency..

The bill's text does not address legislative process transparency.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Tenants, through reduced late fees and better information

Bearing the cost: Landlords, through restricted late fee income and disclosure requirements

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 1D)

Requiring certain disclosures to be made to prospective tenants and providing restrictions on fees for the late payment of rent under the residential landlord and tenant act.

Introduced · recorded 2026-02-03

This bill would make landlords tell you important things before you rent and stop them from charging huge late fees, saving you money.

Everyday People

Official text (KS HB2666) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2666/

LegiScan – HB2666 – <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2666/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2666-104992

The Renters Know Bill

Kansas bill helps renters know what they're paying

KS SB369 • Housing & Property

9/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill is good news for people who rent homes in Kansas. It would make sure landlords give you all the important details about a place before you agree to rent it. It would also stop landlords from charging really high fees if you pay your rent a little late. This means fewer surprises and more fairness for renters. If you rent in Kansas, this bill could help protect your money and make renting easier to understand. Now is...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Landlords would need to be more open..
The bill requires certain disclosures to be made to prospective tenants, increasing...
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Renters would get more protection..
Tenants would be protected from hidden information and excessive late fees, improving...
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — Less cost for renters..
The bill would shift potential costs of unclear terms and high late fees away from...
- Process Transparency (helps)** — More clear for renters..
The bill itself aims to increase transparency for prospective tenants by requiring...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

- Pushing for it:** Renters, by potentially saving on late fees and avoiding unexpected costs.
- Bearing the cost:** Landlords, by limiting their ability to charge high late fees and requiring more upfront work.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 1D)

Requiring certain disclosures to be made to prospective tenants and providing restrictions on fees for the late payment of rent under the residential landlord and tenant act.

Introduced · recorded 2026-01-22

This bill would make landlords tell renters important things before they sign and limit how much they can charge for late rent.

Everyday People

Official text (KS SB369) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/sb369/

LegiScan – SB369 – <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/SB369/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-sb369-090760

The Workers Save Bill

Kansas helps workers save for emergencies with tax breaks

KS HB2090 • Work & Wages

9/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill is a good idea because it would help everyday people in Kansas build up a safety net for unexpected costs. When people have emergency savings, they are better prepared for things like a car breaking down or a sudden doctor's visit. It also gives bosses a reason to help their workers save. This bill is still new, so now is the time to tell lawmakers if you think it's a good way to help people be more ready for life's...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Helps workers build emergency savings.
The bill would create a program to help workers save money for unexpected costs, which...
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — Tax credits reduce state income.
The state would give tax credits to employers and workers, meaning less tax money for the...
- Funding Tilt (helps)** — Encourages saving with tax benefits.
The bill would use tax breaks to encourage both employers and employees to save money for...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Kansas workers and participating employers

Bearing the cost: Kansas state budget

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 15D)

Establishing the Kansas employee emergency savings account (KEESA) program to allow eligible employers to establish employee savings accounts, providing an income and privilege tax credit for certain eligible employer deposits to such employee savings accounts and providing a subtraction modification for certain employee deposits to such savings accounts.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-23

This bill would help Kansas workers save money for emergencies by letting bosses set up special accounts and giving tax breaks for saving.

Workers

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2090-937276

The Money Families Bill

Kansas bill would give more money back to working families

KS HB2620 • Work & Wages

9/10

LIBERATE

Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would help working families in Kansas by giving them a bigger tax credit. This means people who work hard but do not earn a lot of money would get more money back when they file their taxes. This extra money could help them pay for food, rent, or other important things. Some might say that giving more tax credits could cost the state money. But supporters believe it helps the economy by putting money directly into...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — No direct impact on accountability..
The bill focuses on financial relief, not on holding specific entities accountable.
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — Financial relief for working families..
The bill would increase the amount of the earned income tax credit, giving more financial...
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — State budget impact..
The state would forgo some tax revenue by giving larger credits to eligible taxpayers.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Early stage, publicly introduced..
The bill has been introduced and referred to committee, which is a standard and...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Working families and individuals in Kansas
Bearing the cost: Kansas state budget

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 25D)

THE BILL ITSELF

Increasing the eligible credit amount for the earned income tax credit.

KS HB2620

 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-02

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would give working people more money back on their taxes, helping families keep more of what they earn.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (KS HB2620) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2620/

LegiScan — HB2620 — <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2620/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2620-103488

YOUR NOTES

The Firefighters Cancer Bill

Tax credit for firefighters' cancer screenings proposed in Kansas

KS HB2024 · Healthcare & Insurance

8/10

LIBERATE

Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Firefighters risk their health every day. This bill would support them by making it easier to get important cancer screenings. Now is the time to show your support.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — This bill provides financial support..
The tax credit helps firefighters with medical costs.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: firefighters

Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

THE BILL ITSELF

Providing a tax credit for firefighters who incur unreimbursed medical expenses for screening for occupation-related cancer, enacting the fighting chance for firefighters act.

KS HB2024

 Introduced · recorded 2025-01-16

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would help firefighters pay for cancer screenings they need but can't afford.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Workers

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (KS HB2024) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2024/

LegiScan — HB2024 — <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2024/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2024-923814

YOUR NOTES

The Credit Families Bill

New tax credit aims to help families with children

KS HB2232 • Money & Damages

8/10

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Families could get extra money to help with costs. Now is the time to support this bill so more families can benefit.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Funding Tilt (helps)** — Positive impact on family budgets.
The tax credit would provide additional funds to families.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: families with children

Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

THE BILL ITSELF

Establishing a child income tax credit.

KS HB2232

 Introduced · recorded 2025-02-04

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would give families money back on their taxes for each child, helping them afford more.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (KS HB2232) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2232/

LegiScan — HB2232 — <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2232/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2232-954979

YOUR NOTES

The Label Kratom Bill

Kansas moves to label kratom a food, bans unsafe sales

KS HB2230 • Consumer Protection

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Kansas residents would gain protection from dangerous kratom products and see teens kept away, while sellers would face fines if they break the rules.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — adds civil fines.
sellers can be fined for breaking the rules
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — protects consumers.
prevents sale of unsafe kratom
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — cost on sellers.
fines fall on businesses, not buyers
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — rules set by agency.
secretary of agriculture must adopt regulations

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

Enacting the kratom consumer protection act, defining kratom as a food product, prohibiting the distribution and sale of kratom that is adulterated, requiring persons to be at least 21 years of age to purchase such product, establishing civil fines for violations of the act and requiring the secretary of agriculture to adopt rules and regulations for the administration of the act.

WHAT IT DOES

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

READ IT YOURSELF

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YOUR NOTES

The Proposes Refundable Bill

Kansas proposes refundable tax credit for college tuition

KS HB2628 • Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Students could get money back even if they owe no tax, easing college costs, but the state would lose revenue that might affect other services.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (neutral) — Provides benefit, no new oversight.
N/A

Rights & Protections (helps) — Expands financial aid.
Refundable credit helps families

Who Bears the Cost (hurts) — State budget loss.
Refundable credit reduces revenue

Process Transparency (neutral) — Standard legislative process.
N/A

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 26D)

Establishing a refundable income tax credit for tuition payments and fees made to postsecondary educational institutions.

KS HB2628

Kansas would give families a refundable tax credit to help pay college tuition and fees.

Everyday People

Official text (KS HB2628) — https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2628/

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ks-hb2628-103710

The Child Care Bill

Kansas cuts childcare licensing fees and training rules

KS HB2294 • Consumer Protection

7/10

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Families could see cheaper, more available childcare, but reduced training and oversight might risk quality, so citizens should watch the bill now while it moves to the Senate

WHY IT SCORES 7/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (hurts)** — Reduced oversight.
Lower training and fee requirements may decrease monitoring of childcare quality.
- Rights & Protections (hurts)** — Weaker protections.
Waiver process could let providers skip some safety rules.
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — Cost relief for providers.
Lower licensing fees shift cost away from childcare operators.
- Process Transparency (hurts)** — Less transparent waivers.
Waiver applications may not be fully public.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

HOW THEY VOTED

House • 2025-03-20 — passed
Yes 78R/25D • No 6R/9D

Substitute for HB 2294 by Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development - Reducing certain license fees and training requirements for child care staff, creating a process for day care facility licensees to apply for temporary waiver of certain statutory requirements, authorizing the secretary of health and environment to develop and operate pilot programs to increase child care availability or capacity, transferring certain child care programs to the Kansas office of early childhood and creating day care licensing duties of the director of early childhood.

Engrossed · recorded 2025-03-24

Kansas would lower daycare license fees and staff training rules, let providers ask for waivers, and let the health secretary run pilot programs to add more childcare spots

Child care providers

Official text (KS HB2294) – https://kslegislature.gov/li/b2025_26/measures/hb2294/

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