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Below please find the list of bills introduced during the 2015 Legislative Session. These bills have been identified as issues which may impact the interest to WIBA members. 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, Marlee Carpenter, at [marlee@brightcarpenter.com](mailto:marlee@brightcarpenter.com) or 785-213-0185.

Budget:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">HB 2133</a> House Appropriations Committee	Appropriation revisions and supplementals for FY 2015 and FY 2016 for various state agencies	In House Appropriations	<b>01/29/2015 - House</b> Scheduled Discussion and Possible Action in Appropriations: Monday, 2/2/2015, 9:00 AM, Rm 112-N	budget

Civil Procedure:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">HB 2130</a> House Judiciary Committee	Relating to wrongful death actions; increasing the amount of damages that may be awarded	In House Judiciary	<b>01/28/2015 - House</b> Referred to Judiciary	civil procedure

Courts:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">HB 2114</a> House Judiciary Committee	Relating to subpoena of nonparty business records	In House Judiciary	<b>01/28/2015 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Judiciary: Thursday, 2/5/2015, 3:30 PM, Rm 112-N	Courts
<a href="#">HCR 5004</a> House Judiciary Committee	Constitutional amendment revising article 3, relating to the judiciary; providing for direct partisan election of supreme court justices and court of appeals judges; abolishing the supreme court nominating commission	In House Judiciary	<b>02/04/2015 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Judiciary: Wednesday, 2/11/2015, 3:30 PM, Rm 112-N	Courts judicial selection

Economic development:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">HB 2248</a>  House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee	Tax increment financing eligibility for projects involving very old buildings and adjacent vacant or condemned lots	In House Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	<b>02/06/2015 - House</b> Referred to Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	economic development

Firearms:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">SB 65</a>  Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Carrying of concealed handguns by public employees while engaged in employment	In Senate Federal and State Affairs	<b>01/23/2015 - Senate</b> Referred to Federal and State Affairs	firearms

Immigrants' rights:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">SB 166</a>  Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee	Rule of law restoration act; immigration	In Senate Federal and State Affairs	<b>02/06/2015 - Senate</b> Referred to Federal and State Affairs	Immigrants' rights

Judicial selection:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">HCR 5003</a>  House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Constitutional amendment; extend recall elections to elected judicial officers	In House Judiciary	<b>01/16/2015 - House</b> Referred to Judiciary	judicial selection
<a href="#">HCR 5004</a>  House Judiciary Committee	Constitutional amendment revising article 3, relating to the judiciary; providing for direct partisan election of supreme court justices and court of appeals judges; abolishing the supreme court nominating commission	In House Judiciary	<b>02/04/2015 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Judiciary: Wednesday, 2/11/2015, 3:30 PM, Rm 112-N	judicial selection  courts

Local government:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">SB 10</a>  David Haley, D-4th	Cities; filling vacancies in governing body	In Senate Elections and Local Government	<b>01/28/2015 - Senate</b> Scheduled Hearing in Ethics and Elections: Wednesday, 2/4/2015, 9:30 AM, Rm 159-S	local government
<a href="#">HB 2003</a>  Michael Houser, R-1st	Cities; annexation of non-adjoining land	In Senate Local Government	<b>02/06/2015 - Senate</b> Referred to Local Government	local government

Patent trolling:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">SB 38</a> 2014 Special Committee on Judiciary	Bad faith assertions of patent infringement	In Senate Judiciary	01/21/2015 - Senate Scheduled Hearing in Judiciary: Tuesday, 1/27/2015, 10:30 AM, Rm 346-S	patent trolling

Property tax:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">HB 2019</a> House Vision 2020 Committee	Property tax levy for the Kansas educational building fund	In House Taxation	<b>01/28/2015 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Taxation: Wednesday, 2/4/2015, 3:30 PM, Rm 582-N	property tax taxes
<a href="#">HB 2070</a> House Taxation Committee	Property exempt from taxation; allowing counties to exempt certain property	In House Taxation	<b>01/22/2015 - House</b> Referred to Taxation	property tax
<a href="#">HB 2071</a> House Taxation Committee	Property taxation; market study analysis, persons eligible to be appointed appraiser	In House Taxation	<b>01/28/2015 - House</b> Scheduled Hearing in Taxation: Tuesday, 2/3/2015, 3:30 PM, Rm 582-N	property tax

Schools:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">HB 2035</a> House Education Committee	Amending the tax credit for low income students scholarship program act	In House Education	<b>01/20/2015 - House</b> Referred to Education	schools

State Contracting:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">HB 2153</a> House Appropriations Committee	Taxpayer empowerment, accountability and transparency in state contracting act	In House Appropriations	<b>01/29/2015 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations	state contracting

Taxes:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">SB 29</a> Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Removal of community improvement district sales tax administration fund aggregate cap	On General Orders in Senate	<b>01/28/2015 - Senate</b> Committee Report recommending bill be passed by Assessment and Taxation	taxes
<a href="#">SB 31</a> Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee	Permitted use of tax information in certain tax actions and proceedings; tax liens upon personal property; tax warrants; time for returns and payment of tax; liability for persons responsible for collection of sales or compensating tax	On General Orders in Senate	<b>02/04/2015 - Senate</b> Committee Report recommending bill be passed as amended by Assessment and Taxation	taxes

<a href="#">SB 135</a> Garrett Love, R-38th	Option to exempt aviation fuel from city sales tax	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	<b>02/03/2015 - Senate</b> Referred to Assessment and Taxation	taxes
<a href="#">HB 2001</a> Steven R. Brunk, R-85th	Property taxation; distribution of taxes paid under protest	In House Taxation	01/13/2015 - House Referred to Taxation	taxes
<a href="#">HB 2019</a> House Vision 2020 Committee	Property tax levy for the Kansas educational building fund	In House Taxation	01/28/2015 - House Scheduled Hearing in Taxation: Wednesday, 2/4/2015, 3:30 PM, Rm 582-N	taxes
<a href="#">HB 2076</a> James Todd, R-29th	Sales tax holiday	In House Taxation	01/28/2015 - House Scheduled Hearing in Taxation: Thursday, 2/5/2015, 3:30 PM, Rm 582-N	taxes
<a href="#">HB 2174</a> House Federal and State Affairs Committee	Tax credit for low income students scholarship program act amendments	n House Education	<b>02/03/2015 - House</b> Withdrawn from Education Budget; referred to Education	taxes
<a href="#">HB 2178</a> House Taxation Committee	Increasing the Kansas standard deduction of an individual	In House Taxation	<b>01/30/2015 - House</b> Referred to Taxation	taxes
<a href="#">HB 2240</a> House General Government Budget Committee	Removing prohibition against board of tax appeals employees serving as hearing officers	In House Taxation	<b>02/06/2015 - House</b> Referred to Taxation	taxes

#### Unemployment insurance:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">SB 154</a> Senate Commerce Committee	Amending unemployment insurance benefits determination; employer classification and contribution rates	In Senate Commerce	<b>02/06/2015 - Senate</b> Referred to Commerce	unemployment insurance

#### Workforce development:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action	Group(s)
<a href="#">SB 80</a> Anthony Hensley, D-19th	Enacting the Kansas working families pay raise act	In Senate Commerce	<b>01/27/2015 - Senate</b> Referred to Commerce	workforce development
<a href="#">SB 93</a> Senate Education Committee	Career technical education performance-based funding requirements	On General Orders in Senate	<b>02/04/2015 - Senate</b> Committee Report recommending bill be passed as amended by Education	workforce development
<a href="#">HB 2012</a> Jim Ward, D-86th	Enacting the Kansas working families pay raise act	In House Appropriations	<b>01/13/2015 - House</b> Referred to Appropriations	workforce development