



Hello, KansasBio members and friends~

We will continue to provide legislative updates to KansasBio members again this session, focusing on the specific policy and industry issues as outlined in our [legislative agenda](#). KansasBio members will receive highlights and upcoming meeting notices each week as a member benefit.

Our 90+ member [bioscience caucus](#) is off and running, now in its third full year with more than half of the Kansas legislature participating. During the 2010 legislative session, our members will present to the caucus information on Angel Investing, Venture Investing, One Health, the KBA Centers of Innovation, and Bioscience Education Programs. We wish to thank our caucus sponsors: Treanor Architects, Merck and Eli Lilly for their support which helps us provide a “hot lunch” for our partners at each caucus meeting.

KansasBio also wishes to thank our friends at Kansas Ag Retailers and BIO for their long-standing support of our organization as we build on our legislative advocacy. Ron Seeber has prepared an update on several bills below, which we will continue to track and monitor. This session in Kansas is guaranteed to be a difficult session with the continued budget challenges facing our state. Under the leadership of our [Board of Directors](#), our Public Policy Committee and our [Industry Advisory Panel](#), KansasBio’s focus will be to sustain support for the bioscience industry and the state programs which support our industry’s growth.

Angel Investor Tax Credits, sustainability, funding for state bioscience programs, education and industry expansion top our list of state priorities, alongside support for One Health, NBAF, NCI designation, patent reform and biosimilars at the federal level. Our 2010 [policy statements](#) will guide our industry members in advocacy efforts in Topeka and Washington DC.

Upcoming Advocacy and Education Events

January 25 – Bioscience Day – Topeka Capitol Plaza Hotel, 5:30-7pm, including an address by Governor Parkinson

February 4 – Bioscience Caucus Meeting on Angel Investing – Docking Office Building, room 784, 11:45am-1pm

February 18 – KansasBio Day on the Hill; Joint IAP and Bioscience Caucus Meeting on Venture Investing – Docking Office Building, room 784, 11:45-1pm; KansasBio Board Meeting – Topeka Capitol Plaza Hotel 1:30-3:30pm; KansasBio Big Thinker Reception – Topeka Capitol Plaza Hotel 4:30-6:30pm.

March 3 – One Health Initiative: Animal Health and Biomanufacturing Summit – JCCC 7:30am-6:30pm <http://bit.ly/5lkMm8>

March 4 – Bioscience Caucus Meeting on One Health – Docking Office Building, room 784, 11:45am-1pm

March 18 – Bioscience Caucus Meeting on the KBA Centers of Innovation – Docking Office Building, room 784, 11:45am-1pm

April 1 – Bioscience Caucus Meeting on Bioscience Education Programs – Docking Office Building, room 784, 11:45am-1pm

April 13-14 – [KansasBio and BIO Fly-In](#), Washington DC

Kansas Legislative Update for the week ending 1/22/10

The Kansas Legislature wrapped up its second week with a number of informational several presentations from agencies and hearings on various bills. The budget process will start in earnest in the following weeks. Please read below for additional details of the past week directly affecting Kansas Bio.

BIO-Caucus Kickoff

Kansas Bio held its first of five biweekly bio caucus meetings at which members received an overview of Kansas Bio's goals for 2010 from President and CEO Angela Kreps and enjoyed a lunch sponsored by Treanor Architects. The Kansas Bio Caucus is comprised of over 90 members of both political parties and run the spectrum of philosophical leanings. 25 legislators attended this week's meeting. The 2010 Caucus co-chairs were confirmed: Senator Terrie Huntington, Senator Marci Francisco, Representative Cindy Neighbor, and Representative Tom Moxley. Other attendees included incoming KansasBio Public Policy Chair, Kevin Sweeney, and Lindsay Holwick, KBA. The caucus established the 2010 meeting calendar: Feb 4 - Angel Investors and their role in building companies; Feb 18 - Venture Investors and their role in bioscience; March 4 - One Health Initiative; March 18 – KBA Centers of Innovation; and April 1 - bioscience education programs.

NBAF Resolution

The Joint Committee on Kansas Security held a hearing and tentatively approved a resolution urging Congress to advance the sale of Plum Island Animal Disease Center and fully fund the National Bio and Agro Defense Facility (NBAF) in Manhattan, Kansas. The resolution is the result of the Texas failed litigation to block our state's acquisition of the facility. The Committee felt it was necessary to send a non-binding message to Congress on the urgency of moving forward with the project. The resolution is receiving some technical changes and should go to the full Senate in the near future. It does not yet have a bill number.

KTEC Briefing to the Senate Commerce

Kevin Carr, KTEC Interim CEO, briefed the Senate Commerce Committee on the its current budget situation noting that the organization has been cut by 43% from \$12million to \$6.9 million. The Governor’s proposed allotment would further reduce the KTEC budget by an Additional \$250,000. The Governor’s allotment is included in SB 350 and was approved by the Senate Ways and Means Committee this week. The committee also reviewed the KTEC interim report and Senator Tom Holland, KTEC Board and interim committee member, commented that he believes KTEC is on the right track. Unfortunately, while included in the interim report, there was no discussion on addressing the flaws in the angel investor tax credit provisions approved in last session’s budget agreement. The interim report reads as follows: “The Special Committee recommends that the state’s policies should consider and help foster the growth of jobs and economic development. To that end, the Special Committee recommends that the Legislature reconsider its current policy on the Angel Tax Credit and the 10.0 percent “carry forward” position. This cap discourages investment when it is most needed.”

Sustainable Agriculture Legislation

The Kansas Agribusiness Retailers Association introduced legislation to place into statute the definition of sustainable agriculture. This bill defines sustainable agriculture to be biotech friendly and include current farming practices. It reads: ““Sustainable agriculture” should demonstrate broad outcomes based performance improvements to meet the needs of the present while improving the ability for future generations to meet their own needs; Include science based practices supported by research, including the use of technology; or Improve agricultural productivity; or Improve human health through access to safe, nutritious food; or Improve the social and/or the economic well-being of rural communities. This act shall not alter, affect or add to the duties or responsibilities under any other statute in Kansas.”

Acting Secretary Svaty Confirmation Approved By Committee

The Senate Agriculture Committee held a hearing and recommended favorably the confirmation of acting Secretary Josh Svaty to make his post permanent. Svaty was questioned on a number of issues including Biofuels, Ag tax policy, water issues, clean air, and other issues. We anticipate that he will not face serious opposition from the full Senate and look forward to continuing our positive lines of communication with the Secretary and the agency as a whole.

Budget Rescission Bill

The Senate Ways and Means Committee held a hearing on and approved SB 350, a bill that cuts to several agencies that could not be accomplished by the Governor without the legislature’s approval. The bill was amended into [HB 2222](#), (a bill that previously dealt with a state agency fees) and was sent to the full Senate. These cuts include:\$

- 250,000 cut to KTEC
- \$2 million cut to Kansas Housing Corporation
- \$80 million from the KS Department of Transportation
- \$500,000 from the Department of Commerce
- \$5 million from the Securities Commission
- Cut 50% of legislators franking privileges (free postage)
- \$1.1 million from the legislature

Sales Tax Increase Proposed

The House Tax Committee started hearings on [HB 2475](#), a bill that increases the state sales tax 1 cent sales tax for 3 years to address a \$400 million budget hole for fiscal year 2011. After the 3 years, all but .02 of a cent will sunset and that remaining portion will be dedicated to transportation infrastructure funding. Proponents included education and state employee labor unions, state funded social service organizations, highway infrastructure advocates, and a few private citizens with concerns about schools and the elderly. They testified that the funds are needed to support these organizations due to budget cuts they have recently absorbed in the last year. Opponents will testify on Tuesday and will carry the message that tax increases are not the answer when Kansas is trying to claw its way out of a recession.

Coming Next Week:

Kansas Bioscience Day at the Capitol

On Monday, January 25, from 5 to 7pm, KansasBio and The Kansas Bioscience Authority will hold reception for legislators at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Topeka. The reception features Governor Mark Parkinson and legislative leaders and is being held in the Emerald Ball Room, 1717 Topeka Blvd.

This weeks bill tracker:

Bill Number and Sponsor	Bill Subject	Current Status	Last Action
SB 13 Anthony Hensley, D-19th	Kansas Bioscience authority; regarding membership on the board	In Senate Federal and State Affairs	01/13/2009 - Senate Referred to Federal and State Affairs
SB 16 Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations	Pharmacy Act of the State of Kansas; declaring certain acts not to be in violation of said act	Approved by Governor	04/06/2009 Approved by Governor Kathleen Sebelius

H Sub for SB 22	Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, reducing compensation for state officers and employees, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements, procedures and acts incidental to the foregoing (Omnibus)	On General Orders in House	05/01/2009 - House Committee Report: Substitute be passed by Appropriations; Committee of the Whole: Committee Report recommending substitute bill be adopted; be amended; motion to recommend for passage, failed; Yeas 53, Nays 62
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
H Sub for Sub for SB 23	Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2011, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing	Approved by Governor	03/05/2009 - Senate No motion to reconsider; veto sustained
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 97	Creating the Promoting Employment Across Kansas Act	Approved by Governor	04/20/2009 Approved by Governor Kathleen Sebelius
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SB 120	Kansas Investments in Major Projects and Comprehensive Training; relating to the Secretary of Commerce; authorizing the funding of certain economic development projects	Approved by Governor	04/06/2009 Approved by Governor Kathleen Sebelius
Senate Commerce Committee			
SB 121	Health care; relating to reform in funding and structure of the federal and state programs	In Senate Public Health and Welfare	02/11/2009 - Senate Scheduled Hearing: Tuesday, 2/17/2009, 1:30 PM, Rm 136-
Senate Public Health and Welfare			

Committee

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[SB 202](#)

Abortion

In Senate
Federal and
State Affairs

02/05/2009 - Senate
Referred to Federal and State
Affairs

Mark Taddiken, R-21st

[SB 223](#)

Emergency medical services board;
subpoena authority

In House
Judiciary

01/13/2010 - House
Scheduled Hearing: Thursday,
1/21/2010, 3:30 PM, Rm 346-
S

Senate Ways and
Means Committee

[H Sub for SB 238](#)

Abortion; regarding the Woman's Right-to-
Know Act

Approved by
Governor

03/27/2009
Approved by Governor
Kathleen Sebelius

Senate Judiciary
Committee

[SB 244](#)

Economic Revitalization and Reinvestment
Act; relating to eligible businesses

In Senate
Assessment and
Taxation

03/04/2009 - Senate
Scheduled Hearing: Thursday,
3/12/2009, 10:30 AM, Rm
535-N

Senate Assessment and
Taxation Committee

[SB 248](#)

Controlled substances; creating a statewide
electronic logging system for sale of
methamphetamine precursor

On General
Orders in House

03/19/2009 - House
Committee Report: Be passed
as amended by Corrections
and Juvenile Justice

Senate Ways and
Means Committee

[SB 249](#)

Pharmacists; relating to substitution of drug
product

In House Health
and Human
Services

02/20/2009 - House
Referred to Health and
Human Services

Senate Ways and
Means Committee

SB 250	Workers compensation; relating to benefits	In Senate Business and Labor	01/15/2010 - Senate Withdrawn from Commerce; referred to Business and Labor
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 295	Blind and visually impaired persons; establishing the Motor Vehicle and Safe Mobility Committee; powers and duties thereof	In Senate Transportation	01/14/2010 - Senate Scheduled Hearing: Tuesday, 1/19/2010, 8:30 AM, Rm 152- S
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 296	State finance; establishing a process to evaluate and implement federal funding available for state agencies under the federal American Economic Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009	In Senate Ways and Means	03/06/2009 - Senate Scheduled Hearing: Wednesday, 3/11/2009, 10:30 AM, Rm 545-N
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 303	Abolishing the Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation and Kansas, Inc. and transferring the powers and duties thereof to the Department of Commerce	In Senate Ways and Means	03/06/2009 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 304	Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013, and June 30, 2014, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing	In Senate Ways and Means	03/16/2009 - Senate Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 3/19/2009, 10:30 AM, Rm 545-N
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 308	State agencies; relating to the administrative fee charged to agencies	On General Orders in Senate	03/24/2009 - Senate Committee Report: Be passed by Ways and Means
Senate Ways and Means Committee			

<p>SB 309</p> <p>Senate Ways and Means Committee</p>	<p>Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing</p>	<p>In Senate Ways and Means</p>	<p>03/16/2009 - Senate Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 3/19/2009, 10:30 AM, Rm 545-N</p>
<p>Sub for SB 311</p> <p>Senate Ways and Means Committee</p>	<p>State budget; state general fund and special revenue fund expenditures, transfers and ending balance requirements; reduction and allotment procedures</p>	<p>In House Appropriations</p>	<p>05/04/2009 - House Referred to Appropriations</p>
<p>SB 317</p> <p>Senate Ways and Means Committee</p>	<p>Abolishing the Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation and transferring the powers and duties thereof to the Department of Commerce and the Board of Regents</p>	<p>In Senate Ways and Means</p>	<p>03/17/2009 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means</p>
<p>SB 334</p> <p>Senate Ways and Means Committee</p>	<p>Taxation; relating to estate tax rates; franchise tax rates</p>	<p>In Senate Assessment and Taxation</p>	<p>04/30/2009 - Senate Referred to Assessment and Taxation; Scheduled Hearing: Friday, 5/1/2009, 10:00 AM, Rm 545-N</p>
<p>SB 335</p> <p>Senate Ways and Means Committee</p>	<p>Taxation; relating to income taxation; deductions; determination of Kansas adjusted gross income; credits</p>	<p>In Senate Assessment and Taxation</p>	<p>04/30/2009 - Senate Referred to Assessment and Taxation; Scheduled Hearing: Friday, 5/1/2009, 10:00 AM, Rm 545-N</p>

SB 350	Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing	In Senate Ways and Means	01/13/2010 - Senate Scheduled Hearing: Tuesday, 1/19/2010, 10:30 AM, Rm 548-S
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 351	Crimes and punishment; prohibiting text messaging while operating a moving motor vehicle	In Senate Judiciary	01/20/2010 - Senate Scheduled Hearing: Thursday, 1/28/2010, 9:30 AM, Rm 548-S
Senate Ways and Means Committee			
SB 390	Health insurance; concerning genetic testing by insurance and health entities	In Senate Financial Institutions and Insurance	01/20/2010 - Senate Referred to Financial Institutions and Insurance
Senate Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee			
SB 425	Motor vehicle fuel; relating to blending of fuels	In Senate Agriculture	01/25/2010 - Senate Referred to Agriculture
Senate Agriculture Committee			
SB 430	Income taxation; relating to credits, limitations	In Senate Assessment and Taxation	01/25/2010 - Senate Referred to Assessment and Taxation
Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee			
SCR 1610	Urging the Environmental Protection Agency to authorize use of higher blends of ethanol in non-flex fuel vehicles	Adopted	04/03/2009 - House Final Action: Adopted; Yeas 110, Nays 12
Mark Taddiken, R-21st			
SCR 1610	Urging the Environmental Protection Agency to authorize use of higher blends of ethanol	Adopted	04/03/2009 - House Final Action: Adopted; Yeas

Mark Taddiken, R-21st in non-flex fuel vehicles

110, Nays 12

[HB 2011](#) Abortion On General Orders in House **02/27/2009 - House**
Committee Report: Be passed by Federal and State Affairs

Arlen H. Siegfried, R-15th

[Sub for HB 2022](#) Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements, procedures and acts incidental to the foregoing On General Orders in House **04/29/2009 - House**
Committee Report: Substitute be adopted by Appropriations

House Appropriations Committee

[Sub for HB 2022](#) Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements, procedures and acts incidental to the foregoing On General Orders in House **04/29/2009 - House**
Committee Report: Substitute be adopted by Appropriations

House Appropriations Committee

[HB 2076](#) Abortion; regarding the Woman's Right-to-know Act In Senate Federal and State Affairs **02/04/2009 - House**
Scheduled Hearing: Wednesday, 2/11/2009, 1:30 PM, Rm 143-N

Lance Kinzer, R-14th

[Sub for HB 2081](#) Milk and dairy products; relating to certain fees fixed by the Secretary of Agriculture Stricken from Calendar **02/24/2009 - House**
Stricken from Calendar, House Rule 1507

House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee

<p>HB 2093</p> <p>House Appropriations Committee</p>	<p>Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2011, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing</p>	<p>In House Appropriations</p>	<p>01/28/2009 - House Referred to Appropriations</p>
<p>HB 2094</p> <p>House Appropriations Committee</p>	<p>Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, and June 30, 2014, for the Department on Aging, the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services and the Department of Health and Environment – Division of Health; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing</p>	<p>In House Aging and Long-Term Care</p>	<p>02/18/2009 - House Scheduled Hearings: Tuesday, 3/3/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 711 DSOB; Thursday, 3/5/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 711 DSOB</p>
<p>HB 2121</p> <p>House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee</p>	<p>Agriculture; relating to application of swine waste; pesticide and fertilizer programs; fees; milk and dairy products; fees and labeling requirements</p>	<p>Veto sustained</p>	<p>05/08/2009 - House No motion to reconsider; veto sustained</p>
<p>HB 2166</p> <p>Steve Huebert, R-90th</p>	<p>Abortion; relating to late-term and partial birth abortion</p>	<p>On General Orders in House</p>	<p>02/27/2009 - House Committee Report: Be passed by Federal and State Affairs</p>
<p>HB 2236</p> <p>House Corrections and</p>	<p>Crimes, criminal procedure and punishments; concerning drug crimes;</p>	<p>Approved by Governor</p>	<p>03/27/2009 Approved by Governor</p>

Juvenile Justice Committee	recodification of certain statutes		Kathleen Sebelius
HB 2295	Agriculture; relating to application of swine waste; fees for pesticide and fertilizer programs; fees for milk and dairy products	Approved by Governor	05/15/2009 Approved by Governor Mark Parkinson
House Taxation Committee			
HB 2317	State government; requiring certain agencies to submit a budget	In House General Government Budget	03/04/2009 - House Scheduled Hearing: Tuesday, 3/10/2009, 1:30 PM, Rm 531-N
House Government Efficiency and Fiscal Oversight Committee			
HB 2358	Enacting the Investment in Kansas Employment Act	In House Economic Development and Tourism	03/04/2009 - House Scheduled Hearing: Monday, 3/9/2009, 3:30 PM, Rm 711 DSOB
House Taxation Committee			
HB 2360	State budget; relating to preparation and submission of budget estimates and recommendations by the Governor to the Legislature	In Senate Ways and Means	03/30/2009 - Senate Referred to Ways and Means
House Appropriations Committee			
HB 2361	State finance; establishing a process to evaluate and implement federal funding available for state agencies under the federal American Economic Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009	In House Appropriations	03/04/2009 - House Referred to Appropriations
House Appropriations Committee			
S Sub for Sub for HB 2365	Taxation; relating to settlement authority of Secretary of Revenue, certain assessments; income tax credits, limitations; valuation of land devoted to agricultural use for estate tax purposes; periods of limitation for	Approved by Governor	05/22/2009 Approved by Governor Mark Parkinson
House Taxation Committee			

certain refunds and credits; sales tax exemptions; homestead property tax refunds

[S Sub for HB 2369](#) Energy; relating to conservation and electric generation, transmission and efficiency and air emissions Approved by Governor **05/22/2009**
House Appropriations Committee Approved by Governor Mark Parkinson

[S Sub for HB 2373](#) Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, and June 30, 2014, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing (Omnibus) Approved by Governor **05/22/2009**
House Appropriations Committee Approved by Governor Mark Parkinson except line item veto: Sections 36(a), 70(c) and 89

[S Sub for HB 2373](#) Making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, and June 30, 2014, for state agencies; authorizing certain transfers, capital improvement projects and fees, imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing (Omnibus) Approved by Governor **05/22/2009**
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