

STATE OF KANSAS
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



REP. RON RYCKMAN
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

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House Leadership Announces 2021-2022 Committees

House leadership today announced its committee structure for the upcoming legislative session along with leadership and membership for those committees.

The structure will include two new committees:

- Water, which will be tasked with refocusing on the state's water issues, particularly in relation to our ag and rural economies. It replaces the Rural Revitalization Committee, which was temporarily enacted last term to provide a roadmap for the House on rural issues.
- Redistricting, which will begin laying the groundwork for the state's 2022 redistricting process.

"The new committees continue to reflect our priorities, which include protecting our state's agricultural roots for the long haul and ensuring a fair and equal voice for Kansans in every district," said Speaker of the House Ron Ryckman (R-Olathe).

Ryckman said committee assignments also continued to utilize the legislative and real-world experience of representatives throughout the state.

"This team of committee leaders brings a wide range of experience from the business, ag and healthcare sectors to the table. We're also confident this team of leaders will stick together when it matters most, which is critical to moving our economy forward," said Ryckman.

"Our committee leadership is unified in wanting to improve the economic outlook for all Kansans and help small businesses recover from the Governor's shutdown," said Ryckman. "That includes property tax transparency, giving Kansans a voice on the Value Them Both Amendment, adequate liability protections for business owners and healthcare providers, and positioning our state economy to recover more quickly instead of lagging behind what we're seeing in other states."

Committees along with chairs, vice chairs and membership for the 2021-2022 term will be as follows:

9:00 AM House Committees

Appropriations (112-N): **Troy Waymaster, Chair; Kyle Hoffman, Vice Chair;** Will Carpenter; Susan Concannon; Ken Corbet; Susan Estes; Shannon Francis; Susan Humphries; Steven Johnson; Brenda Landwehr; Stephen Owens; Richard Proehl; Ken Rahjes; Bill Sutton; Sean Tarwater; Kristey Williams.

Federal and State Affairs (346-S): **John Barker, Chair; Tory Arnberger, Vice Chair;** Frances Awerkamp; Jesse Burris; Blake Carpenter; John Eplee; Randy Garber; Michael Houser; Steven Howe; Trevor Jacobs; Lisa Moser; Patrick Penn; Samantha Poetter; John Resman; Eric Smith; Paul Waggoner.

Water (281-N): **Ron Highland, Chair; Boyd Orr, Vice Chair;** Suzi Carlson; Chris Croft; Brett Fairchild; Russ Jennings; Jim Minnix; Michael Murphy; Joe Newland; Bill Rhiley; Adam Smith; Adam Thomas.

Energy, Utilities, and Telecommunications (T/Th) (582-N): **Joe Seiwert, Chair; Mark Schreiber, Vice Chair;** Avery Anderson; Emil Bergquist; Jesse Borjon; Leo Delperdang; Charlotte Esau; Tom Kessler; Les Mason; Mark Samsel; Chuck Smith; Carl Turner.

Financial Institutions and Rural Development (M/W) (218-N): **Jim Kelly, Chair; Nick Hoheisel, Vice Chair;** Avery Anderson; Dave Baker; Brian Bergkamp; Owen Donohoe; Tom Kessler; Megan Lynn; Lance Neelly; Mark Samsel; John Toplikar; Barb Wasinger.

Local Government (M/W) (152-S): **Kent Thompson, Chair; Doug Blex, Vice Chair;** Ken Collins; Cheryl Helmer; Ron Howard; Tatum Lee-Hahn; Marty Long; Clarke Sanders; John Wheeler.

Veterans (T/Th) (152-S): **Lonnie Clark, Chair; Ron Ellis, Vice Chair;** Ken Collins; Mike Dodson; David French; Ron Howard; Tim Johnson; Lance Neelly; Pat Proctor.

1:30 PM House Committees

Agriculture and Natural Resources Budget (142-S): Ken Corbet, Chair; Joe Newland, Vice Chair; Dave Baker; Randy Garber; Ron Howard; Tatum Lee-Hahn.

Children and Seniors (152-S): Susan Concannon, Chair; Charlotte Esau, Vice Chair; Cheryl Helmer; Tim Johnson; Lisa Moser; Patrick Penn; Chuck Smith; Kent Thompson; Paul Waggoner.

Commerce, Labor, and Economic Development (346-S): Sean Tarwater, Chair; Marty Long, Vice Chair; Avery Anderson; Frances Awerkamp; Jesse Borjon; Will Carpenter; Chris Croft; Mike Dodson; Ron Highland; Kyle Hoffman; Steven Johnson; Tom Kessler; Les Mason; Brad Ralph; Bill Sutton; Kristey Williams.

Corrections/Juvenile Justice (546-S): Russ Jennings, Chair; Stephen Owens, Vice Chair; Blake Carpenter; David French; Fred Patton; Samantha Poetter; John Resman; Eric Smith; John Wheeler.

Education (218-N): Steve Huebert, Chair; Adam Thomas, Vice Chair; Brian Bergkamp; Lonnie Clark; Ken Collins; Owen Donohoe; Susan Estes; Michael Murphy; Boyd Orr; Mark Samsel; Clarke Sanders; Mark Schreiber.

Health and Human Services (112-N): Brenda Landwehr, Chair; John Eplee, Vice Chair; Tory Arnberger; John Barker; Emil Bergquist; Doug Blex; Suzi Carlson; Ron Ellis; Jim Kelly; Megan Lynn; Adam Smith; Carl Turner.

Higher Education Budget (281-N): Susan Humphries, Chair; Barb Wasinger, Vice Chair; Jesse Burris; Brett Fairchild; Ken Rahjes; Bill Rhiley.

Transportation (582-N): Richard Proehl, Chair; Leo Delperdang, Vice Chair; Shannon Francis; Nick Hoheisel; Michael Houser; Steven Howe; Trevor Jacobs; Jim Minnix; Lance Neelly; Pat Proctor; Joe Seiwert; John Toplikar.

3:30 PM House Committee

Agriculture (112-N): Ken Rahjes, Chair; Eric Smith, Vice Chair; Suzi Carlson; Brett Fairchild; Trevor Jacobs; Jim Minnix; Lisa Moser; Michael Murphy; Joe Newland; Boyd Orr; Joe Seiwert; Kent Thompson.

General Government Budget (281-N): Bill Sutton, Chair; Paul Waggoner, Vice Chair; Avery Anderson; Tory Arnberger; Lonnie Clark; David French.

Judiciary (582-N): Fred Patton, Chair; Brad Ralph, Vice Chair; Jesse Burris; Nick Hoheisel; Susan Humphries; Russ Jennings; Marty Long; Lance Neelly; Stephen Owens; Mark Samsel; Mark Schreiber; John Wheeler.

K-12 Education Budget (546-S): Kristey Williams, Chair; Kyle Hoffman, Vice Chair; Susan Estes; Steve Huebert; Tim Johnson; Brenda Landwehr; Patrick Penn; Sean Tarwater; Adam Thomas.

Social Services Budget (144-S): Will Carpenter, Chair; Megan Lynn, Vice Chair; Susan Concannon; Owen Donohoe; Cheryl Helmer; Ron Howard.

Taxation (346-S): Adam Smith, Chair; Les Mason, Vice Chair; Frances Awerkamp; Dave Baker; Brian Bergkamp; Doug Blex; Ken Corbet; John Eplee; Ron Highland; Jim Kelly; Tom Kessler; Samantha Poetter; Richard Proehl; Clarke Sanders; Carl Turner; Barb Wasinger.

Transportation and Public Safety Budget (142-S): Shannon Francis, Chair; John Resman, Vice Chair; Leo Delperdang; Ron Ellis; Charlotte Esau; Michael Houser.

Elections (T/Th) (218-N): Blake Carpenter, Chair; Emil Bergquist, Vice Chair; Jesse Borjon; Ken Collins; Mike Dodson; Tatum Lee-Hahn; Pat Proctor; Chuck Smith; John Toplikar.

Insurance and Pensions (M/W) (218-N): Steven Johnson, Chair; Chris Croft, Vice Chair; Emil Bergquist; Jesse Borjon; Ken Collins; Mike Dodson; Randy Garber; Steven Howe; Pat Proctor; Bill Rhiley; Chuck Smith; John Toplikar.

On Call

Redistricting: Chris Croft, Chair; Brad Ralph, Vice Chair; John Barker; Charlotte Esau; Kyle Hoffman; Nick Hoheisel; Steve Huebert; Jim Kelly; Brenda Landwehr; Fred Patton; Adam Smith; Bill Sutton.

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