

Contact Information and Links useful to getting your voices heard!

STATE GOVERNMENT: HOW TO GET INVOLVED IN KS

The Wichita Eagle, Track Legislation

BY COMPUTER:

Find House and Senate calendars and listings of legislators at www.kslegislature.org.

You can search for bills by keywords or phrases and track a bill through the legislative process. You can also listen to House and Senate sessions live.

The Kansas State Library welcomes questions about Kansas government. Instant message the librarians at kslib.info/ask-a-librarian.

BY PHONE:

Call the legislative hotline at **800-432-3924**.

Use the same number for TTY calls for the hearing impaired.

The hotline has information about legislative activity and documents, including bill introductions, sponsorships, amendments, status, history and other related legislative action.



Text the Kansas State Library at **785-256-0733**. The text service is open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Track spending:

To examine where the state's money comes from and how it is being spent, go to www.kansas.gov/kanview.

Contact a legislator:

You can find updated contact information for legislators soon at Kansas.com/politics and at www.kslegislature.org. You can write, e-mail, call or contact them on social media.

Contact the governor:

By mail: Office of the Governor, Capitol, 300 SW 10th Ave., Suite 241S, Topeka, KS 66612-1590

By phone: **877-579-6757** or **785-296-3232**; for hearing impaired, **800-766-3777**

By e-mail: To contact the governor's office via e-mail, online Web forms are available at www.governor.ks.gov/contact-the-governor.

There are forms for casework, proclamations, special occasion and recognition requests, and legislation and policy issues.

On Facebook: www.facebook.com/govsambrownback

On Twitter: @govsambrownback



View Campaign Contributions:

Find out who donated money to your legislator through reports filed with the KS Governmental Ethics Commission.



Go to www.kansas.gov/ethics/index.html and click on Campaign Finance on the left side of the screen, then click on View Submitted Forms & Reports.

Find a department

Go to www.kansas.gov for links to state departments and elected officials, including the governor, attorney general and secretary of state.

Be a legislative page

Students who are 12 or older can volunteer to be a page for a day.

Pages work as messengers from 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. They also tour the Capitol building. Contact your legislator and ask to apply; spots fill up quickly.

Tour the Capitol

The Capitol is open to the public 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday.



The Kansas Historical Society offers free tours on weekdays. Reservations are encouraged but not required. Call **785-296-3966** for reservations or go to www.kshs.org, click on Visit, then Capitol Tours, and fill out the online reservation form.

Tours of the Capitol dome are offered several times each weekday. Additional tours can be set up by calling **785-296-3966** or at capitol@kshs.org.

The Visitors Center, including the Capitol store, is open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Visitors can enter the Capitol off Eighth Avenue and can park free for two hours in the underground parking garage.

Tour the governor's mansion

Free tours of the Cedar Crest governor's residence are available Mondays every half hour between 1:00 and 3:30 p.m. For questions on reservations and large tour groups, call **785-296-3636**.

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