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**Potential Questions for Legislators – January 22, 2022**

- Are there currently any election laws introduced and alive in the Legislature?
- While a Parents Bill of Rights for school children sounds ethical and honorable, it tends to place one more burden-of-response on teachers taking away from classroom instruction and personal time. What is the solution to allowing local school boards to monitor curriculum and allowing teacher more student contact time? (HB 2622)
- Please give and update on status of the sales tax removal for groceries and include your point of view?
- There continues to be conversation of a taxpayer refund this year because of excess funds in the Kansas coffers. What do you see best use of the current large balance?
- Is there any discussion to repay the KPERS fund or provide a COLA for retired Kansas employees (last COLA was 24-years ago?)
- Why is the LLC hiring an attorney to represent the Kansas Legislature in the reapportionment law suits?
- What are you hearing regarding the redistricting of the Kansas Senate and House districts? How soon do you expect plans will be available and how long in advance will voter have to see plans before they are voted on?
- SB 454 gives nurse practitioners the authority to practice independently without a collaborative agreement or oversight with a physician. Can this potentially put patients at risk? What are your thoughts? Did/do you support the bill?
- What are your thoughts on the proposed constitutional amendment to simply the legislature's rejection of the Executive Branch's interpretation/execution of rules and regulation from a 2/3 vote to simple majority?
- Is there any work currently taking place in Legislative Research delving into the extreme price hikes during the cold spell of February 2021 (Winter Storm Viola)?
- What is the status in Kansas of the new federal requirement to modernize the Community Mental Health Centers and the establishment of a "988" suicide prevention hotline? Will it be funded? If so, how and how much?
- What exactly does the proposed amendment "Value Them Both" do exactly? What are your views and where in the legislative process for this proposal currently?

- This past week, the Kansas House passed a resolution by the necessary two-thirds majority, to put on the ballot a question which if passed, would return all Kansas Sheriffs to an elected position...it now goes to the Senate. What are your views on this resolution? Given there is only one Kansas County who appoints their sheriff, why is it necessary? Can you provide some background information?