

## HOUSE BILL No. 2844

By Representatives Light and Loyd

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AN ACT concerning interlocal cooperatives; relating to educational cooperatives.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding any other statutory provisions to the contrary, High Plains Educational Cooperative and Southwest Kansas Area Cooperative are hereby granted the authority, upon majority vote of such cooperative's respective governing boards, to enter into an interlocal agreement between such cooperatives to create a separate legal entity for the purpose of and to conduct such business as provided for in such interlocal agreement. Such separate legal entity shall have the powers and duration as provided in K.S.A. 12-2904a, and amendments thereto.

(b) Any such interlocal agreement executed pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be submitted to the attorney general for approval. The attorney general shall approve such agreement unless the attorney general finds that it does not meet the conditions set forth herein and shall detail in writing, addressed to the governing bodies of High Plains Educational Cooperative and Southwest Kansas Area Cooperative, the specific respects in which the proposed agreement fails to meet the requirements of law. Failure of the attorney general to disapprove an agreement submitted hereunder within 90 days of its submission shall constitute approval thereof.

(c) Any agreement entered into under the provisions of this statute shall not require the approval of the state board of education.

(d) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the interlocal cooperation act.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.