

HOUSE BILL No. 2895

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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9 AN ACT concerning the Kansas apprenticeship council; amending
10 K.S.A. 44-661 and repealing the existing section.

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

13 Section 1. K.S.A. 44-661 is hereby amended to read as follows: 44-
14 661. (a) There is hereby established the Kansas apprenticeship council
15 within the department of human resources. The Kansas apprenticeship
16 council shall be composed of nine members as follows:

17 (1) Four members representative of management appointed by the
18 secretary of human resources;

19 (2) four members representative of labor appointed by the secretary
20 of human resources; and

21 (3) the secretary of human resources or the secretary's designee.

22 In making such appointments, the secretary of human resources shall
23 consider all persons nominated for membership on the council by state-
24 wide trade associations, employer groups and state labor organizations.
25 All members appointed or designated by the secretary of human re-
26 sources shall possess considerable knowledge of apprenticeship and ap-
27 prenticeship programs.

28 (b) *The terms of the four current members representing management*
29 *and the four current members representing labor shall expire on February*
30 *29, 2004. For terms beginning March 1, 2004, the secretary of human*
31 *resources shall appoint one representative of management and one rep-*
32 *resentative of labor to terms of one year, one representative of manage-*
33 *ment and one representative of labor to terms of two years, one represen-*
34 *tative of management and one representative of labor to terms of three*
35 *years and one representative of management and one representative of*
36 *labor to terms of four years. Thereafter* members appointed by the sec-
37 retary of human resources shall be appointed to four-year terms and shall
38 serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. A quorum shall
39 consist of any five members other than the secretary or the secretary's
40 designee. Each member shall have one vote on all matters before the
41 council, except that the secretary or the secretary's designee may cast a
42 vote only in cases of tie votes. Any vacancy shall be filled by appointment
43 for the remainder of the unexpired term.

1 (c) The Kansas apprenticeship council shall organize annually by
2 electing a chairperson and a vice-chairperson from among the members
3 appointed by the secretary of human resources as representative of man-
4 agement or labor. When a member representative of labor is chairperson
5 of the council, a member representative of management shall be vice-
6 chairperson. When a member representative of management is chairper-
7 son of the council, a member representative of labor shall be vice-chair-
8 person. In the absence of the chairperson, the vice-chairperson shall
9 exercise all powers of the chairperson. The council may adopt such rules
10 of procedure as it may deem to be required for operation.

11 (d) The Kansas apprenticeship council shall meet regularly on a bi-
12 monthly basis and at such other times as determined by the council.
13 Meetings may be held at locations within the state which will best pro-
14 mote the purposes of the council and apprenticeship and as may be re-
15 quired in the performance of the powers, duties and functions of the
16 council. Members of the Kansas apprenticeship council attending meet-
17 ings thereof, or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof authorized by
18 the council, shall be paid amounts provided in subsection (e) of K.S.A.
19 75-3223 and amendments thereto. Such amounts shall be paid pursuant
20 to vouchers approved by the chairperson of the Kansas apprenticeship
21 council and by the secretary of human resources or a person or persons
22 designated therefor by the secretary.

23 (e) The secretary of human resources shall provide to the Kansas
24 apprenticeship council such clerical, secretarial and other staff assistance
25 as may be requested by the council for the performance of the powers,
26 duties and functions of the council.

27 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 44-661 is hereby repealed.

28 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
29 publication in the statute book.