

HOUSE BILL No. 2645

By Committee on Government Efficiency and Technology

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9 AN ACT establishing the broadband technology and application advisory
10 council; relating to membership, compensation and powers and duties
11 thereof.

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

14 Section 1. (a) There is hereby established the broadband technology
15 and application advisory council. The advisory council shall be composed
16 of both technology providers and users with a knowledge of emerging
17 technologies and such technologies innovative application to addressing
18 human improvement opportunities and the delivery of government serv-
19 ices. The advisory council shall have 15 members, including two ex officio
20 members who shall be the director of the Kansas university telemedicine
21 program and the director of information and telecommunications tech-
22 nology center and who shall serve as co-chairpersons of the advisory coun-
23 cil. The remaining 13 members shall be appointed as follows:

24 (1) Three members shall be appointed by the speaker of the house
25 of representatives and of such members, each shall be from the telecom-
26 munications industry and shall represent a different technological broad-
27 band delivery system;

28 (2) three members shall be appointed by the president of the senate;
29 of such members, one member shall be appointed from the education
30 sector, one member shall be appointed from the health care sector and
31 one member shall be appointed from the business sector and each of
32 such members shall utilize broadband technologies in delivering services;

33 (3) two members shall be appointed by the minority leader of the
34 house of representatives; of such members, one member shall be ap-
35 pointed from the library sector and one from the agriculture sector and
36 all such members shall be knowledgeable regarding broadband technol-
37 ogy applications;

38 (4) two members shall be appointed by the minority leader of the
39 senate; of such members, one member shall be appointed from the social
40 service sector and one from the general public sector and each of such
41 members shall be knowledgeable regarding broadband technology appli-
42 cations; and

43 (5) three members shall be appointed by the governor; of such mem-

1 bers, two members shall be appointed from the state government and
2 one member shall be appointed from a regents institution and each of
3 such members shall be knowledgeable regarding broadband technologies
4 and applications.

5 (b) Advisory council members, other than for the co-chairpersons
6 who are ex officio members, shall have a term of office of four years and
7 any such member may be reappointed. Any vacancy occurring in the
8 membership of the advisory council shall be filled in the same manner as
9 the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term of the
10 member creating the vacancy.

11 (c) The staff of the office of the revisor of statutes, the legislative
12 research department, state government agencies and regents' institutions
13 shall provide such assistance as may be requested by the co-chairpersons
14 of the advisory council.

15 (d) The advisory council shall review:

16 (1) Available broadband service delivery applications in the fields of
17 education, commerce, health care and other sectors affecting the state's
18 public interest and regarding access to government;

19 (2) emerging technologies that public policymakers and state and lo-
20 cal government agencies should consider prior to investing further in
21 existing technologies and service delivery systems;

22 (3) interfacing technologies and user applications to make the serv-
23 ices easier to use, more affordable and available to all relevant
24 constituencies;

25 (4) technological opportunities that are likely to arise five or more
26 years in the future and policies necessary for government agencies and
27 the general public to avail themselves of the benefits of technological
28 change; and

29 (5) such other matters as members of the advisory council identify.

30 (e) On the first day of the regular session of the legislature and an-
31 nually thereafter the advisory council shall submit to the house committee
32 on government efficiency and technology, house committee on energy
33 and utilities and senate committee on commerce, or the successor com-
34 mittees thereof, and the governor, a report on the information and policy
35 recommendations of the council regarding:

36 (1) The subjects reviewed pursuant to subsection (d); and

37 (2) on how to increase public access to broadband technologies and
38 applications.

39 (f) Except as provided by this subsection, nonstate employees of the
40 advisory council attending meetings of the advisory council shall be paid
41 compensation, subsistence allowances, mileage and other expenses as
42 provided in K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto. No member of the
43 advisory council shall be paid compensation, subsistence allowances, mile-

1 age and other expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments
2 thereto, if such member received an amount from another governmental
3 or private entity for the purpose for which such amount is payable under
4 the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto.

5 (g) The provisions of this section shall expire and the advisory council
6 is hereby abolished on June 30, 2015.

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