## SENATE BILL No. 618

By Senators Ostmeyer and Huelskamp

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9 AN ACT concerning state agencies; relating to the location of certain state offices.

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

Section 1. (a) As used in this section:

- (1) "Department" means the department of administration.
- (2) "Relocatable" pertains to those offices or positions within a state agency the vital functions of which are not dependent on geographic location.
- (3) "Rural economically disadvantaged area" or "REDA" means any city incorporated in accordance with Kansas law located in a county with a population of less than 40,000, as certified to the secretary of state by the director of the division of the budget on the previous July 1 in accordance with K.S.A. 11-201, and amendments thereto, and any unincorporated area of such county.
- (4) "State agency" means any state office or officer, department, board, commission, institution, bureau or any agency, division or unit within any office, department, board commission or other state authority or any person requesting a state appropriation.
- (b) Within six months after the effective date of this act, the department of administration shall identify those current offices or positions within a state agency which are relocatable. The department shall publish once in the Kansas register a notice describing the relocatable offices or positions and request information from municipalities and private entities on the economic feasibility of relocating such offices or positions to a REDA. If it is determined that an office or position is not relocatable, then the department shall publish such determination once in the Kansas register, and such publication shall include details as to why it was determined that such office or position was not relocatable.
- (c) Upon receipt of information on the economic feasibility of relocating those offices or positions identified pursuant to subsection (b), the department shall, if applicable, transmit such information to the appropriate state agency that oversees or controls the office or position described in the information. Within six months after receipt of such information by the department, or the appropriate state agency if the

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department does not control the location of the applicable office or position, the department or appropriate state agency, whichever is applicable, shall determine whether or not to relocate such office or position to a REDA. If it is determined that the office or position is not to be relocated, then the department or the appropriate state agency, whichever is applicable, shall publish such determination once in the Kansas register, and such publication shall include details as to why it was determined that relocation of the office or position was not economically feasible.

- (d) No county, city, municipality or other tax authority may offer any tax incentives, including, but not limited to, sales tax exemptions, income tax credits or property tax abatements, to any public or private person, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, association, organization or other entity which would directly or indirectly be used to make the relocation of an office or position identified in subsection (b) be more economically feasible.
- (e) No county, city, municipality or other tax authority may enact any ordinance or resolution that would provide a tax incentive, including, but not limited to, sales tax exemptions, income tax credits or property tax abatements, to any public or private person, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, association, organization or other entity which would directly or indirectly be used to make the relocation of an office or position identified in subsection (b) be more economically feasible.
- (f) The department may adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the requirements of this section.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.