

The Moser Minute #1
January 30, 2026

Happy New Year! Welcome to the first installment of the 2026 Moser Minute. Here's what happened in my corner of the Capitol during the first three weeks of session:

Appropriations Committee: As of today, 57 of the 98 agency budgets that will come before the Appropriations Committee have been reported out by the six Budget Subcommittee Chairs. As the Agriculture & Natural Resources Budget Committee Chair, I have reported the following budgets: Board of Accountancy, Kansas Department of Credit Unions, Office of the State Bank Commissioner, Citizen's Utility Ratepayer Board, Kansas Corporation Commission, Kansas State Fair, Board of Veterinary Examiners and the Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks.

Agriculture & Natural Resources Budget Committee: In addition to working and passing out the eight budgets mentioned above, there was an informational hearing on the State Water Plan Fund presented by Connie Owen-Director of the Kansas Water Office, and Dawn Buehler-Chair of the Kansas Water Authority. Our committee joined the Higher Education Budget Committee on January 20th for an overview of the current dairy facility at KSU. Much discussion ensued regarding replacement of the facility which is close to the end of its useful life, including costs, architectural plans and the incremental steps needed to bring this project to fruition. A preliminary cost estimate of \$40 million has been proposed to the Legislature for the past several years. More information will be forthcoming on this issue.

Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee: Justin Smith, DVM, Animal Health Commissioner-Kansas Department of Agriculture, spoke to the committee on Issues Facing Animal Agriculture. After an informational hearing on Pesticide Labeling, **HB 2476**-Permitting federal pesticide warning or labeling requirements to satisfy any state pesticide warning or labeling requirements was heard in committee on January 21st. It passed out of committee and was then debated on the House floor on January 28th. **HB 2476** passed out of the House Chamber 81-36, with 8 members not voting because of excused absences.

Other Legislation that passed on the House floor: **HB 2332**-Establishing a seal for the House of Representatives and providing for its custody and use. Unanimous. **HB 2204**-Declaring that the World Health Organization, the United Nations and the World Economic Forum have no power with the state of Kansas or any political subdivisions thereof to enforce any rule, regulation fee, tax, policy or mandate. (85-35) **SCR 1604**-Making application to the United States Congress to call a Convention of States for the purpose of proposing amendments to limit the federal government. (80-42) **HB2065**-Creating a structured and accountable framework for Kansas' participation in an Article V Convention (Convention of States). (79-43) **HB 2183**-Judicial Deference: Prohibiting a state court or an administrative hearing officer hearing an administrative action from deferring to an Executive Branch agency's prior interpretation of the action. **HB 2413**-Providing that theft of

livestock or implements of husbandry is a severity 5, nonperson felony. (120-3) **HB 2422-** Providing that the theft of grain (minimum 400 bushels) is a severity 6, nonperson felony. Unanimous. **House Sub for SB 244-** Requiring designation of multiple occupancy private spaces in public buildings for use by only one sex and imposing criminal & civil penalties for violations, defining “gender”, and directing the division of vehicles and the office of vital statistics to invalidate and correct appropriate licenses and certificates when necessary to correct sex identification on such licenses and certificates. (87-36) **HB 2446-** Deleting the requirement that the name of the treasurers be listed in attributions or political advertising. (115-2)

From January 12-30th, office visitors were Drew Cunningham, Cunningham Fiber; City of Marysville-Josh Haverkamp, Kris Schrater, and former Mayor of Marysville, Carla Grund, Bennington.

As I begin my 6th legislative session, thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you in Topeka. Please reach me at lisa.moser@house.ks.gov -Lisa Moser, Kansas House District #106. Serving Marshall, Washington, Republic and Jewell Counties since 2021.