Legislative Update Week of March 10, 2014

The Legislature returned to the Capitol after the midsession break on March 5, 2014. The legislature had several hearings scheduled following the Turnaround Day the week before when bills crossed the Capitol Rotunda to the opposite chamber.

In addition to hearings on bills both the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Ways and Means are reviewing changes to the approved Fiscal Year 15 budget recommended by the Governor in the State of the State Address.

The end of the week the Kansas Supreme Court handed down a ruling in the Gannon case regarding the state's constitutional authority to fund K-12 education. This action may slow down the House and Senate deliberations on budget issues as the legislature's legal team reviews the ruling.