

Legislative Update
Week of March 17, 2014

The Kansas Legislature is entering the last week of committee hearings and meetings this week with Committee deadline scheduled for Friday, March 21, 2014. Any bills not sent to the House and Senate floor by Friday will not likely be considered this year.

The Senate has turned its attention to higher education issues and higher education budget recommendations. The Ways and Means Committee will continue to discuss these issues as well as K-12 funding issues as well.

In other action this week, the Senate will take final action on House Bill 2470 and House Bill 2544. The first of these bills, 2470 allows postsecondary institutions to purchase property insurance through the Midwestern Higher Education Commission at considerable savings. House Bill 2544 is another saving opportunities for higher education institutions. Institutions in Kansas, Kansas State University specifically, can enter into reciprocity agreements with other states to offer distance educational opportunities.