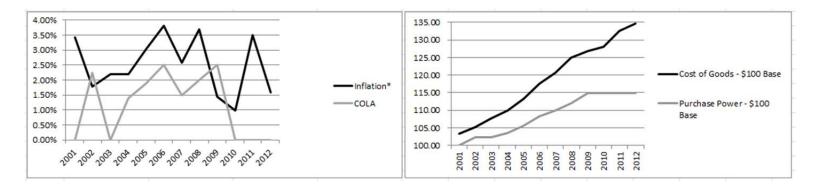
## Classified and Support Staff Council Position Paper for 2013-2014

We, the Classified and Support Staff Council, representing approximately 4,453 Board of Regents classified and support staff employees, request your support. These are the key issues identified by the member institutions for fiscal year 2014:

- 1. **Cost of Living Adjustment** Fund a 2.5% cost of living adjustment for all university classified and support staff.
- 2. **Market Adjustment** Finish the commitment to fund to completion the market-based pay plan approved by the Kansas Legislature in HB2916 in the 2008 legislative session.

10-Year State Employee Salary Adjustments Compared to Department of Labor Inflation Statistics



\*Inflation rate calculated using the Current Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) published monthly by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (www.bls.gov/cpi). For this chart, monthly inflation rates were reported as fiscal year (Jun-Jul) instead of calendar year (Jan-Dec.).

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Randy Kitzman, President FHSU Classified Senate To the credit of all the legislators who saw a need for reform of an outdated pay system, the support of all current legislators is very much needed to re-implement the pay plan in which 3 of 5 years was completed. For more details go to:

http://www.da.ks.gov/newpayplans/newplans.htm.

As you see from the summary below, HB2916 is a bill that requires multiple years of support to be effective in transforming the states antiquated pay system. A large amount of time and resources have already been put forth. Progress was made in the first 3 years, but is at risk of failing with the postponement of these market adjustments for FY12.

If you are not familiar with this bill, we ask that you please revisit HB2916 to fully understand the cause and effect it has on the lives of the state employee at

http://www.kansas.gov/government/legislative/sessionlaws/2008/chap159.pdf

## Kansas Legislature HB2916 – 2008

- The bill authorizes modifications to the classified pay plan to implement the
  recommendation of the State Employee Compensation Oversight Commission to
  provide salary market adjustments to those classified employees in the executive branch
  whose pay is lowest relative to the market.
- These adjustments would be implemented over five years, from FY 2009 through FY 2013 FY 2014 (Revised 1-14-10), with those employees significantly below market to be adjusted in the first year.
- Other recommendations contained in the bill include development of five new pay plans, a new statewide employee performance management system for classified employees and performing market salary surveys on an ongoing basis.
- Failure to continue would leave a larger gap in salaries than already exist.