

SENATE BILL No. 48

By Committee on Education

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1 AN ACT concerning postsecondary education; relating to the
2 postsecondary technical education authority; authorizing community
3 college and technical college appointments thereto; establishing the
4 length of membership terms; making ex officio members non-voting;
5 amending K.S.A. 74-32,401 and repealing the existing section.
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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 Section 1. K.S.A. 74-32,401 is hereby amended to read as follows:
9 74-32,401. (a) There is hereby established the postsecondary technical
10 education authority. The authority shall be composed of 12 members
11 appointed to serve four-year terms as follows:

12 (1) ~~Four~~Two members shall be appointed by the state board of
13 regents. ~~Of the members appointed by the state board of regents: Two shall~~
14 ~~be members of the state board of regents, or the designee thereof; one shall~~
15 ~~be a representative of the community colleges which provides technical~~
16 ~~education, or the designee thereof; and one shall be a representative of the~~
17 ~~technical colleges in the state, or the designee thereof;~~

18 (2) *one member shall be appointed by the Kansas association of*
19 *community college trustees to represent community colleges;*

20 (3) *one member shall be appointed by the Kansas technical colleges*
21 *to represent technical colleges;*

22 (4) three members shall be appointed by the governor. Of the
23 members appointed by the governor; one shall represent Kansas business
24 and industry; and two shall represent the general public;

25 (3) one member shall be appointed by the president of the senate and
26 shall be a representative of business and industry;

27 (4) one member shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of
28 representatives and shall be a representative of business and industry; and

29 (5) the commissioner of education, the secretary of commerce and the
30 secretary of labor, or the designee thereof, who shall serve as *non-voting*
31 *ex officio members of the authority. Ex officio members shall not serve as*
32 *chairperson of the authority or any subcommittee established by the*
33 *authority.*

34 (b) When making appointments of the representatives of Kansas
35 business and industry and the general public, consideration shall be given
36 to persons who are recognized for their knowledge or expertise and are

1 representative of current and emerging technical career clusters of the
2 state. No more than two members of the authority shall be representative
3 of any one specific technical career cluster. Of the members appointed to
4 represent Kansas business and industry and the general public, there shall
5 be appointed at least one member from each congressional district.
6 Redistricting of congressional districts occurring subsequent to a member's
7 appointment shall not disqualify any member of the authority from service.
8 The state board of regents shall determine the technical career clusters of
9 the state.

10 (c) No more than five voting members of the authority shall be
11 members of the same political party.

12 (d) *There shall be no limit on the number of terms that a member may*
13 *serve so long as such member continues to be appointed by an appropriate*
14 *appointing authority.*

15 (e) Any vacancy in the membership of the authority shall be filled by
16 appointment in the same manner as provided for original appointment of
17 the member.

18 ~~(e)~~(f) The members of the authority shall meet and organize annually
19 by electing one member as chairperson, except that the governor shall
20 designate the first chairperson of the authority from among the first
21 members appointed.

22 ~~(f)~~(g) The authority may meet at any time and at any place within the
23 state on the call of the chairperson. A quorum of the authority shall be five
24 voting members. All actions of the authority shall be by motion adopted by
25 a majority of those voting members present when there is a quorum.

26 ~~(g)~~(h) Members of the authority attending meetings of the authority,
27 or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof authorized by the authority,
28 shall be paid compensation, subsistence allowances, mileage and other
29 expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3212, and amendments thereto, for
30 members of the legislature.

31 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 74-32,401 is hereby repealed.

32 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
33 publication in the statute book.