

**HOUSE BILL No. 2234**

By Committee on Appropriations

2-6

1 AN ACT concerning the Kansas turnpike authority; ~~naming the secretary~~  
2 ~~of transportation as the chairperson and chief executive officer~~; relating  
3 to contracts between the authority and the Kansas department of  
4 ~~revenue transportation; concerning purchase of certain real estate~~;  
5 amending K.S.A. 68-2003 and 68-2021 and repealing the existing  
6 sections; also repealing K.S.A. 68-2030, 68-2031, 68-2032, 68-2033,  
7 68-2034, 68-2035, 68-2036, 68-2037, 68-2038, 68-2039, 68-2040, 68-  
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18 68-20,109, 68-20,110, 68-20,111, 68-20,112, 68-20,113, 68-20,114, 68-  
19 20,115, 68-20,116, 68-20,117, 68-20,118 ~~and~~, 68-20,119 **and 75-5028**.

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21 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

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Section 1. K.S.A. 68-2003 is hereby amended to read as follows: 68-  
23 2003. (a) There is hereby created a body politic and corporate to be known  
24 as the Kansas turnpike authority. The authority is hereby constituted a  
25 public instrumentality and the exercise by the authority of the powers  
26 conferred by this act in the construction, operation and maintenance of  
27 turnpike projects shall be deemed and held to be the performance of an  
28 essential governmental function.

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(b) The Kansas turnpike authority shall consist of five members. Two  
30 members shall be appointed by the governor for terms of four years. The  
31 members appointed by the governor shall be residents of the state and shall  
32 each year be owners of revenue bonds issued by the Kansas turnpike

1 authority. One member of the authority shall be the secretary of  
2 transportation. One member shall be the chairperson of the committee on  
3 transportation ~~and tourism~~ of the senate, and one member shall be a  
4 member of the committee on transportation of the house of representatives  
5 and shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. Any  
6 person appointed by the governor to fill a vacancy on the authority shall be  
7 appointed to serve only for the unexpired term, and a member of the  
8 authority shall be eligible for reappointment. A member of the authority  
9 may be removed by the governor for misfeasance, malfeasance or willful  
10 neglect of duty, but only after reasonable notice and a public hearing  
11 conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative  
12 procedure act. Each member of the authority, before entering upon the  
13 member's duties, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation as  
14 required by law.

15 ~~(c) The secretary of transportation shall serve as the chief executive~~  
16 ~~officer and chairperson of the authority. The chief executive officer shall~~  
17 ~~be responsible for the daily administration of the toll roads, bridges,~~  
18 ~~structures and facilities constructed, maintained or operated pursuant to~~  
19 ~~this act. The chief executive officer or the chief executive officer's designee~~  
20 ~~shall have such powers as are necessary to carry out these~~  
21 ~~responsibilities.~~

22 **(c) (1) On the effect date of this act, the secretary of transportation**  
23 **shall serve as the chief executive officer and chairperson of the**  
24 **authority. The chief executive officer shall be responsible for the daily**  
25 **administration of the toll roads, bridges, structures and facilities**  
26 **constructed, maintained or operated pursuant to this act. The chief**  
27 **executive officer or the chief executive officer's designee shall have such**  
28 **powers as are necessary to carry out these responsibilities.**

29 **(2) On July 1, 2015, the authority shall elect one member as**  
30 **chairperson.**

31 ~~(d)—(d)~~ The authority shall elect one member as ~~chairperson of the~~  
32 ~~authority and another as~~ **chairperson of the authority and another as**  
33 ~~vice-chairperson of the authority.~~ The authority shall also elect a secretary-  
34 treasurer who need not be a member of the authority. The  
35 ~~chairperson, chairperson,~~ vice-chairperson and secretary-treasurer shall  
36 serve as officers at the pleasure of the authority. Three members of the  
37 authority shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of three  
38 members shall be necessary for any action taken by the authority. No  
39 vacancy in the membership of the authority shall impair the right of a  
40 quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the authority.

41 ~~(e)(d)~~ **(e)** Members of the Kansas turnpike authority attending  
42 meetings of such authority, or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof  
43 authorized by such authority, shall be paid compensation, subsistence

1 allowances, mileage and other expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3223,  
2 and amendments thereto.

3 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 68-2021 is hereby amended to read as follows: 68-  
4 2021. *(a) On the effective date of this act*, the secretary of transportation  
5 and the Kansas turnpike authority are hereby authorized and empowered to  
6 contract with each other, ~~by the terms of which contract or contracts the~~  
7 ~~secretary may undertake~~ (1) to provide personnel ~~and, {and}~~ equipment  
8 ~~and other resources~~ **and other resources**, either of the department of  
9 transportation, *the Kansas turnpike authority* or consulting or contracting  
10 firms, required in making any traffic and cost studies or surveys or origin-  
11 destination studies necessary preliminary to financing by the Kansas  
12 turnpike authority of any particular toll project undertaken as authorized  
13 by law, and to do such work; for: (1) *Recording-keeping, reporting,*  
14 *administrative, planning, engineering, legal and clerical functions; and*

15 (2) *construction, operation and maintenance of turnpike projects and*  
16 ~~*projects not to exceed 10 miles which connect the turnpike to the*~~  
17 ~~*highways of the state.*~~

18 (b) *On and after July 1, 2015, the secretary of transportation and*  
19 *the Kansas turnpike authority are hereby authorized and empowered to*  
20 *contract with each other, by the terms of which contract or contracts the*  
21 *secretary may undertake: (1) To provide personnel and equipment,*  
22 *either of the department of transportation or consulting or contracting*  
23 *firms, required in making any traffic and cost studies or surveys or*  
24 *origin-destination studies necessary preliminary to financing by the*  
25 *Kansas turnpike authority of any particular toll project undertaken as*  
26 *authorized by law, and to do such work; and*

27 (2) *to provide personnel and equipment required, and to do any*  
28 *engineering, geological work, soils testing or materials testing which*  
29 *may be required by the Kansas turnpike authority either preliminary to*  
30 *the financing of any particular toll project authorized by law or which*  
31 *may be required after such financing and during the construction of*  
32 *such project. Such charges for services contemplated by such project*  
33 *shall be made by the secretary of transportation on the basis of the total*  
34 *and actual cost to the department of all wages, salaries, expenses,*  
35 *equipment rental, damage to equipment, depreciation or other charges*  
36 *and expenses chargeable to the services to be rendered to the Kansas*  
37 *turnpike authority. The total amount of any amounts charged to the*  
38 *authority shall not at any one time exceed the sum of \$250,000.*

39 (c) *The Kansas turnpike authority shall retain its separate identity,*  
40 *powers and duties as an instrumentality of the state, under the*  
41 ~~*management of the Kansas department of transportation, under the*~~  
42 ~~*management of the Kansas department of transportation.*~~ *Duplication of*  
43 *effort, facilities and equipment shall be minimized by the authority and the*

1 *secretary of transportation in operation and maintenance of turnpikes and*  
2 *highways of the state. The authority and the secretary are authorized to*  
3 *take such action as necessary to implement this section, including the*  
4 ~~*temporary*~~ *transfer of personnel, property and equipment from the*  
5 *authority to the secretary, and the secretary to the authority, to effect*  
6 ~~*contract*~~ **contracts** *described in (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section. The*  
7 *integrity of the bonded indebtedness shall be maintained through the*  
8 *actions of the authority. **The provisions of this subsection shall expire on***  
9 ***July 1, 2015.***

10 (2) ~~to provide personnel and equipment required, and to do any~~  
11 ~~engineering, geological work, soils testing or materials testing which may~~  
12 ~~be required by the Kansas turnpike authority either preliminary to the~~  
13 ~~financing of any particular toll project authorized by law or which may be~~  
14 ~~required after such financing and during the construction of such~~  
15 ~~project. Provided, That charges for services contemplated by such project~~  
16 ~~shall be made by the secretary of transportation on the basis of the total~~  
17 ~~and actual cost to the department of all wages, salaries, expenses,~~  
18 ~~equipment rental, damage to equipment, depreciation or other charges and~~  
19 ~~expenses chargeable to the services to be rendered to the Kansas turnpike~~  
20 ~~authority. Provided further, That the total amount of any credit and funds~~  
21 ~~advanced hereunder shall not at any one time exceed the sum of two~~  
22 ~~hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000).~~

23 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 68-2003, 68-2021, 68-2030, 68-2031, 68-2032, 68-  
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36 ~~and~~, 68-20,119 ~~and 75-5028~~ are hereby repealed.

37 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
38 publication in the Kansas register **statute book.**