

46-1701. Joint committee on state building construction; membership; terms; officers; quorum; professional services; legislation. (a) There is hereby created the joint committee on state building construction which shall be within the legislative branch of state government and which shall be composed of five members of the senate and five members of the house of representatives. The five senate members shall be the chairperson of the committee on ways and means of the senate, or a member of the committee on ways and means of the senate appointed by the chairperson, two senators appointed by the president and two senators appointed by the minority leader. The five representative members shall be the chairperson of the committee on appropriations of the house of representatives, or a member of the committee on appropriations of the house of representatives appointed by the chairperson, two representatives appointed by the speaker and two representatives appointed by the minority leader.

(b) All members of the joint committee on state building construction shall serve for terms ending on the first day of the regular legislative session in odd-numbered years. The joint committee shall organize annually and elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson in accordance with this subsection. On and after the first day of the regular legislative session in odd-numbered years, the chairperson shall be one of the representative members of the joint committee elected by the members of the joint committee and the vice-chairperson shall be one of the senate members elected by the members of the joint committee and on and after the first day of the regular legislative session in even-numbered years, the chairperson shall be one of the senate members of the joint committee elected by the members of the joint committee and the vice-chairperson shall be one of the representative members of the joint committee elected by the members of the joint committee. The chairperson and vice-chairperson of the joint committee shall serve in such capacities until the first day of the regular legislative session in the ensuing year. The vice-chairperson shall exercise all of the powers of the chairperson in the absence of the chairperson. If a vacancy occurs in the office of chairperson or vice-chairperson, a member of the joint committee, who is a member of the same house as the member who vacated the office, shall be elected by the members of the joint committee to fill such vacancy.

(c) A quorum of the joint committee on state building construction shall be six. All actions of the joint committee shall be taken by a majority of all of the members of the joint committee.

(d) The joint committee on state building construction may meet at any time and at any place within the state on the call of the chairperson.

(e) The provisions of the acts contained in article 12 of chapter 46 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, applicable to special committees shall apply to the joint committee on state building construction to the extent that the same do not conflict with the specific provisions of this act applicable to the joint committee.

(f) In accordance with K.S.A. 46-1204 and amendments thereto, the legislative coordinating council may provide for such professional services as may be requested by the joint committee on state building construction.

(g) The joint committee on state building construction may introduce such legislation as it deems necessary in performing its functions.

History: L. 1978, ch. 337, § 10; L. 1983, ch. 176, § 1; L. 1985, ch. 180, § 1; L. 1987, ch. 196, § 9; L. 1998, ch. 182, § 23; L. 1999, ch. 139, § 1; May 20.