

74-552. Grape and wine industry advisory council; membership; officers; organization. (a) There is hereby established within the Kansas department of agriculture a grape and wine industry advisory council consisting of no less than nine members who shall be appointed by the secretary of agriculture. The membership of such council shall include:

- (1) One member from a Kansas higher education institution involved in related academic or research enterprises;
 - (2) no less than two members representing the commercial grape growing industry, with one appointed by each of the state's grape and wine industry organizations that are registered and in good standing with the secretary of state's office;
 - (3) no less than two members representing the licensed farm winery industry, with one appointed by each of the state's grape and wine industry organizations that are registered and in good standing with the secretary of state's office;
 - (4) one member who is a licensed wine distributor or wholesaler;
 - (5) one member who is a licensed retail liquor store owner;
 - (6) one member who is a registered agritourism operator; and
 - (7) one member with marketing or business development expertise.
- (b) All members of the council shall be appointed for terms ending on June 30, 2016. All vacancies shall be filled by appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term of the member creating the vacancy.
- (c) The secretary of the Kansas department of agriculture and secretary of the Kansas department of wildlife, parks and tourism, or their designees, shall designate staff as nonvoting, ex officio members of the council. The director of the state alcoholic beverage control division of the Kansas department of revenue or such director's designee shall also be a nonvoting, ex officio member.
- (d) The advisory council shall organize biannually by the election from the council's membership a chairperson and a vice-chairperson. The advisory council shall adopt such rules of procedure as the council deems necessary for conducting the council's business.
- (e) The provisions of this section shall expire on July 1, 2016.

History: L. 1994, ch. 308, § 1; L. 1996, ch. 209, § 25; L. 2004, ch. 101, § 196; L. 2012, ch. 140, § 2; July 1.