

46-912. Joint committee on special claims against the state; membership; appointment; chairperson; meetings; quorum. There is hereby established the joint committee on special claims against the state which shall have seven members consisting of three members of the senate and four members of the house of representatives. The representative members shall be appointed by the speaker, and the senator members shall be appointed by the senate committee on organization, calendar and rules. Of the members of the house, three members shall be from the majority party with the remaining member from the minority part [party]. Of the members of the senate, two members shall be from the majority party with the remaining member from the minority party. Not less than one representative member and not less than one senator member shall be attorneys licensed to practice law in the state of Kansas. Not less than one representative member shall be a member of the house committee on appropriations and not less than one senator member shall be a member of the senate committee on ways and means. In the biennium commencing with the convening of the regular session of the legislature in 1979, and in the biennium commencing with the convening of the regular session of the legislature each four years thereafter, the chairperson of the joint committee shall be a representative member designated by the speaker of the house of representatives. In the biennium commencing with the convening of the regular session of the legislature in 1981, and in the biennium commencing with the regular session of the legislature each four years thereafter, the senate committee on organization, calendar and rules shall designate a senator member to be the chairperson of the joint committee. If a chairperson shall die, resign or otherwise be incapable of serving as chairperson for the full two-year period, a successor shall be designated to fill the unexpired portion of such period in the same manner as the original chairperson was selected. The joint committee shall meet in the interim between legislative sessions on the call of the chairperson as authorized by the legislative coordinating council. Any four members of the joint committee shall constitute a quorum. Any action of such joint committee may be taken by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members present, if a quorum is present.

The provisions of article 12 of chapter 46 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, applicable to special committees shall apply to the joint committee on special claims against the state to the extent the same do not conflict with the specific provisions of this act applicable to such committee.

History: L. 1978, ch. 203, § 1; L. 1985, ch. 178, § 1; L. 1987, ch. 196, § 3; L. 2013, ch. 134, § 4; July 1.