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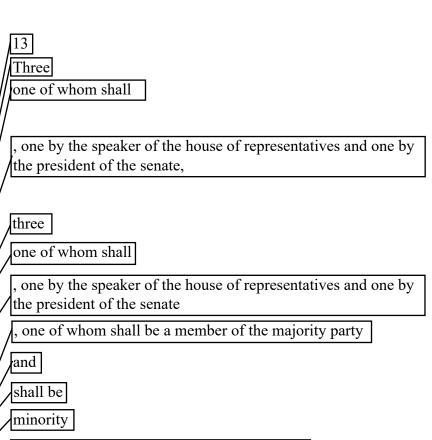
HOUSE BILL No. 2196

By Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

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AN ACT concerning employment security; creating the unemployment 1 compensation modernization and improvement council; providing for 2 3 development of a new unemployment insurance information technology system; claimant tax information; website publication of 4 5 trust fund data; maximum benefit period; charging of employer 6 accounts for benefits paid; employer contribution rate determination and schedules; abolishing the employment security interest assessment 7 8 fund; crediting employer accounts for fraudulent or erroneous 9 payments; transferring moneys from the state general fund to the 13 unemployment insurance trust fund for improper benefit payments; 10 Three services performed by petroleum landmen; lessor employment unit 11 employee leasing restrictions; relating to other unemployment trust 12 one of whom shall fund provisions; shared work compensation program; amending K.S.A. 13 44-758 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 44-703, 44-704, 44-710, 44-710a, 44-14 710b and 44-757 and repealing the existing sections. 15 16 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: the president of the senate, 17 New Section 1. (a) (1) There is hereby created the unemployment 18 compensation modernization and improvement council. The council shall 19 consist of 11 members appointed as follows: 20 three (A) Two members who, on account of their vocation, employment or 21 22 affiliations, may be classed as representative of employers, to be selected one of whom shall by the workers compensation and employment security boards nominating 23 committee established under K.S.A. 44-551, and amendments thereto, and 24 appointed by the governor, 25 (B) two members who, on account of their vocation, employment or the president of the senate 26 affiliation, may be classed as representative of employees, to be selected 27 by the workers compensation and employment security boards nominating 28 committee and appointed by the governor; 29 (C) the chairpersons of the standing committees of the senate and the and 30 house of representatives to which legislation pertaining to the employment 31 shall be security law is customarily referred, appointed by the president of the 32 senate and the speaker of the house of representatives, respectively; 33 minority (D) two members of the senate appointed by the president of the 34 senate, one of whom is a member of the majority party and one of whom is 35 appointed by the minority leader of the senate a member of the minority party; 36

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		, one of whom shall be a member of the majority party
1	(E) two members of the house of representatives appointed by the	and
2	speaker of the house of representatives, one of whom is a member of the	
$\frac{2}{3}$	majority party and one of whom is a member of the minority party, and	shall be
4	(F) the secretary of labor or a designee of the secretary who has	
5	administrative responsibilities with respect to the unemployment insurance	minority
6	compensation system of the department of labor.	appointed by the minority leader of the house
7	(2) In the event the governor fails to appoint a member selected by	appointed by the minority leader of the nouse
8	the workers compensation and employment security boards nominating	
9	committee, the committee may replace that selection with another, subject	
10	to the same appointment requirements. Members of the council appointed	
11	by the governor shall serve for a term of four years, and each term shall	
12	end on the same day as the date of their original appointment. When an	
13	employer representative vacancy or employee representative vacancy on	
14	the council occurs, the workers compensation and employment security	
15	boards nominating committee shall convene and submit a nominee to the	
16	governor for appointment.	
17	(3)—Legislative members shall serve during the legislative session in	
18	which they are appointed to the council and shall remain members of the	
19	legislature in order to retain membership on the council. Vacancies of	
20	legislative members during a term shall be filled in the same manner as the	
21	original appointment only for the unexpired part of the term.	(4) The members of the council shall be appointed and the
22	(b) Each member of the council shall be entitled to receive	council shall hold its first meeting within 30 days of the
23	compensation for the member's services, together with the member's travel	effective date of this act.
24	and other necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of the	
25	member's official duties, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted	
26	by the council. Members' compensation and expenses shall be paid from	
27	the employment security administration fund or any account of the state	
28	general fund of the department of labor, as designated by the secretary.	The chairperson of the house standing committee on
29	(c) The members who are the chairpersons of the standing	commerce, labor and economic development, or a
30	committees of the senate and the house of representatives to which	successor committee to which legislation pertaining to
31	legislation pertaining to employment security law is customarily referred	• • •
32	shall jointly call the first meeting of the council. The council shall annually	employment security law is customarily referred, shall
33 24	organize itself and select a chairperson. Six members shall constitute a quorum, and the council shall act only on the affirmative vote of six	serve as the chairperson of the committee when first
34 35	members. A vacancy on the council shall not impair the right of a quorum,	/ organized and for the ensuing two years. The chairperson of
35 36	to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the council. The	the senate standing committee on commerce, or a successor
37	council shall meet as often as necessary to perform its duties?	committee to which legislation pertaining to employment
38	(d) The council shall examine and recommend changes to the	
39	unemployment compensation system to include current limitations, new	security law is customarily referred, shall serve as the
40	features and benefits, system enhancements and dynamic, accurate	chairperson of the committee for the next two years, and
41	reporting for the benefit of both employers and individuals. The council	thereafter the office of chairperson shall continue to
42	shall also examine the process by which an individual files a claim for and	alternate between the chambers as provided herein
43	receives benefits and any changes made to that process after the effective	· · · ·