

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. SPEAKER and MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee on conference on Senate amendments to **HB 2302** submits the following report:

The House accedes to all Senate amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed as Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 2302, as follows:

On page 1, in line 20, after "invest" by inserting ", or in the state treasurer's discretion direct the pooled money investment board to invest,";

On page 2, in line 17, after "invest" by inserting ", or in the state treasurer's discretion direct the pooled money investment board to invest,";

On page 3, in line 6, by striking the colon; in line 7, by striking "(A)"; in line 10, by striking "(i)" and inserting "(A)"; in line 13, by striking "\$15,000,000" and inserting "\$12,000,000"; in line 15, by striking all after "thereto"; by striking all in lines 16 through 21; in line 22, by striking all before the period;

On page 4, following line 9, by inserting:

"(4) The Kansas water authority may direct the Kansas water office to provide funding pursuant to section 4 or 5, and amendments thereto, for the improvement of water infrastructure in an unincorporated area related to or serving a national park site or state historic site if the request for funding is made by a nonprofit organization or state agency that is willing to administer the moneys and oversee the project, and the Kansas water authority deems such applicant capable of successfully managing the project. Upon receipt of such a request, the Kansas water office may award moneys in any fiscal year prior to July 1, 2028, with such awarding of moneys to be made at the discretion of the Kansas water office.

(5) The Kansas water authority shall encourage the creation of grant programs for

stockwatering conservation projects. Such grant programs shall prioritize the use of fees collected pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-954(a)(3), and amendments thereto.";

And by redesignating subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs and clauses accordingly;

Also on page 4, in line 23, by striking all after "15,000,000,"; by striking all in lines 24 through 26; in line 27, by striking all before the period and inserting "such excess moneys may be recommended for appropriation by the Kansas water authority for the same purposes that any other moneys in the state water plan fund are appropriated"; in line 34, by striking the comma; in line 35, by striking all before the second "or"; in line 39, by striking all after "municipality"; in line 40, by striking all before "or"; in line 43, by striking "and unincorporated areas";

On page 5, in line 9, by striking "and unincorporated areas"; in line 10, by striking all after "municipalities"; in line 11, by striking "areas"; in line 13, by striking "or unincorporated area"; in line 29, by striking "\$30,000,000" and inserting "\$35,000,000";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

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