

# **2022 Legislative Update**

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2:00 – 2:50 p.m.**

# Kansas Bar Association

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- 2022 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
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KANSAS BAR  
ASSOCIATION

By the Numbers  
Constitutional Amendments  
Judicial Branch  
BIDS  
Bills of Interest  
Elections

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2022 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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# 2022 by the Numbers

Senate Bills  
introduced in  
2021 = 252

Senate bills  
carried over to  
2022 = 355

House Bills  
introduced in  
2021 = 349

House Bills  
carried over to  
2022 = 398

Bills that  
became law in  
2022 = 38

Number of  
days in session  
= 54

# Constitutional Amendments

- HCR 5003 – Value Them Both (Senate 28-11; House 86-38) Primary Election
- HCR 5014 – Rules and Regs (Senate 27-12; House 85-39) General Election
- HCR 5022 – Election of Sheriff (Senate 36-2; House 97-24) Primary Election
- SCR 1619 – 2021 Special Committee on Taxation (Senate 28-11; No House vote)
- SCR 1620 – Supermajority to pass certain state tax increases (Senate 25-14; No House vote)



# Judicial Selection



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SCR 1621 – Federal Model

SCR 1622 – Partisan Elections

HCR 5006 – Nominating Process COA

# Judicial Branch

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Office of Judicial Administration

# Judicial Branch Budget

- Website: <https://www.kscourts.org/About-the-Courts/Court-Administration/Budget>
- FY 2022/FY 2023
- HB 2541 – Docket Fee Transition to SGF



# FY 2023 Request

Base Budget  
(\$151 million)

Redirect docket  
fees to SGF

Sans surcharge  
fee

23 new judges  
(with Staff)

13 district and  
10 magistrate

\$5 million total  
request

# Survey of Judicial Salaries

Kansas

\$145,641 (50)

\$140,940 (39)

\$128,636 (51)

\$131,355 (49)

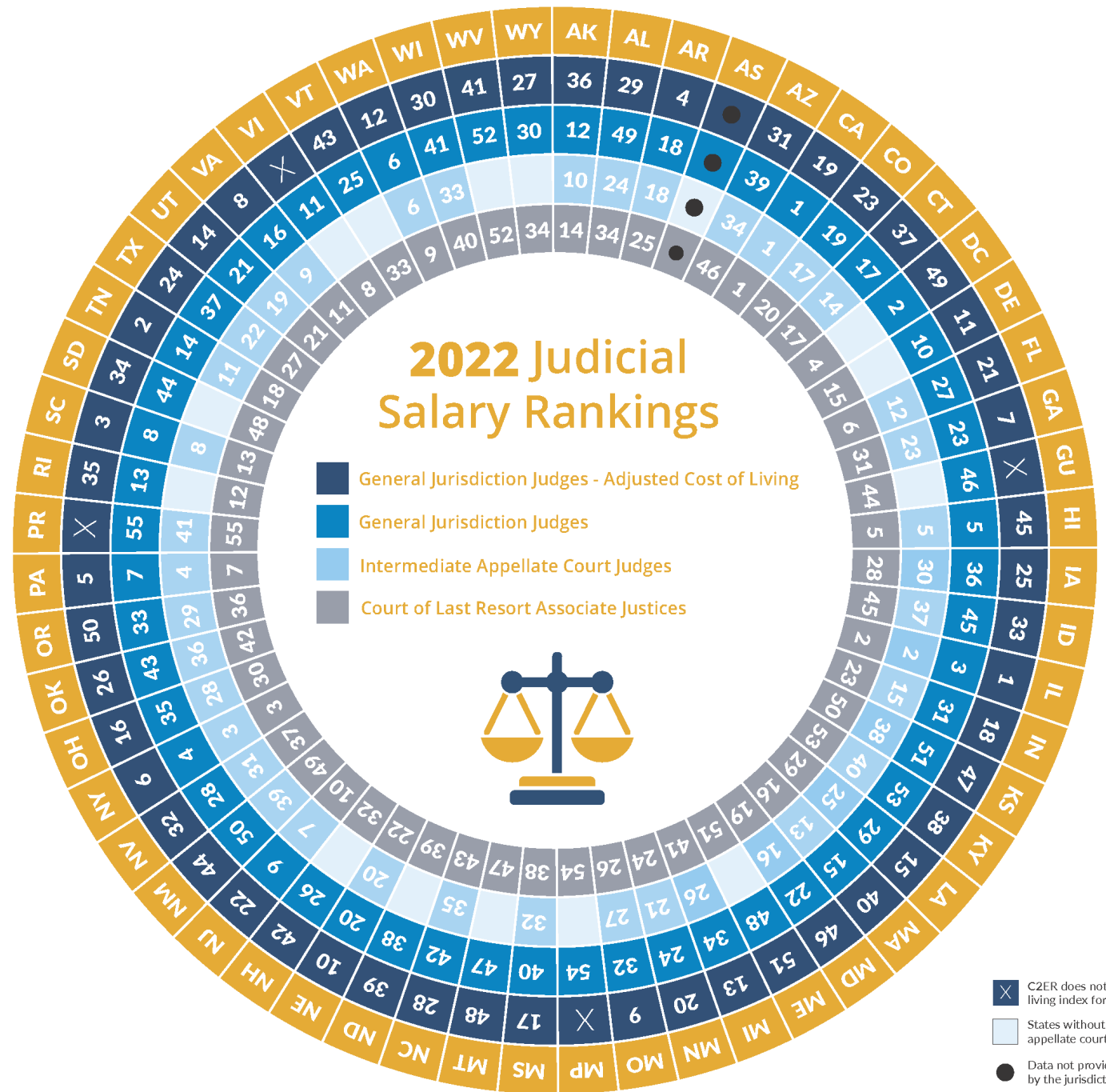
Missouri

\$183,264 (27)

\$167,535 (24)

\$157,972 (32)

\$175,623 (9)



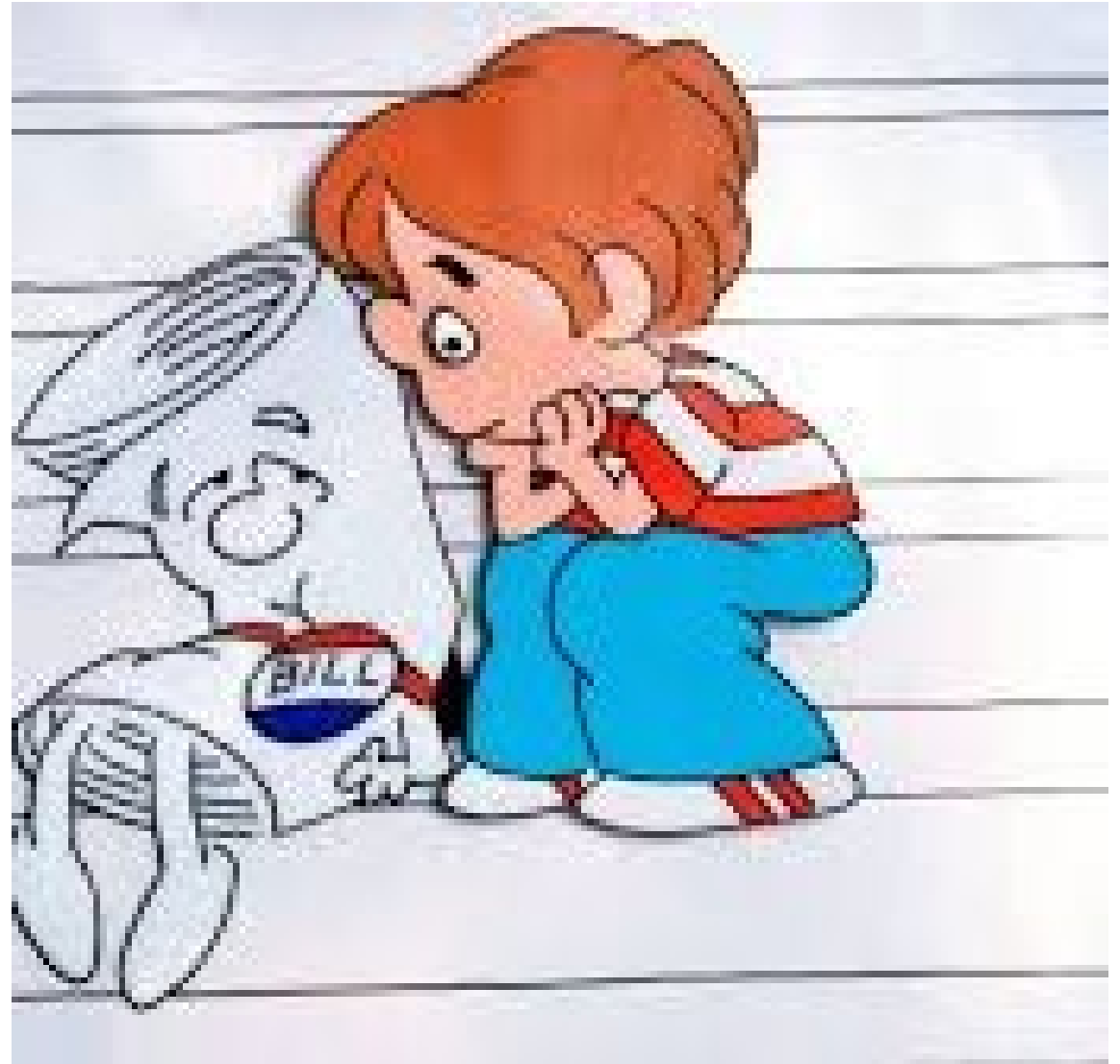
# Kansas BIDS

- \$3.9 million for pay parity and employee pay scale adjustment
  - Removed from 5% Cost of Living Adjustment
- \$3.6 million for assigned counsel rate increase - \$100-\$120 for FY 2023
  - Provision for assigned counsel rate increase – HB 2363 not approved
- \$316,000 for technical upgrades and additional office space
  - Funding for WyCo office will be in 2023 request

# BILLS

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- Conference Committee Reports
- Litigation
- Probate/Real Estate
- Family



# Judiciary CCR

- CCR for HB 2299 Law Enforcement Bundle
- CCR for HB 2277 Criminal Law Bundle
- CCR for HB 2377 DUI Bundle
- CCR for HB 2109 Records Bundle

# Litigation

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- SB 150 Advertising
- SB 151 CAPS
- SB 152 Third Party Financing
- SB 286 COVID-19 response
- SB 2458 Optometrist/Ophthalmologist



# Real Estate, Probate & Trusts

- SB 141 Uniform Directed Trust Act
- Sub for SB 400 Uniform Trust Code
- HB 2025 Copy of Will
- SB 382 License requirement for real estate transactions
- HB 2531 Right of Way along county roads

# Family Law

- HB 2496 Uniform Family Law Arbitration Act
- HB 2725 Shared Parenting
- SB 575 Presumptive Joint Legal Custody
- HB 2153 Office of the Child Advocate
- HB 2075 Adoption Venue
- CCR for SB 343– Hearing impairment and legal custody



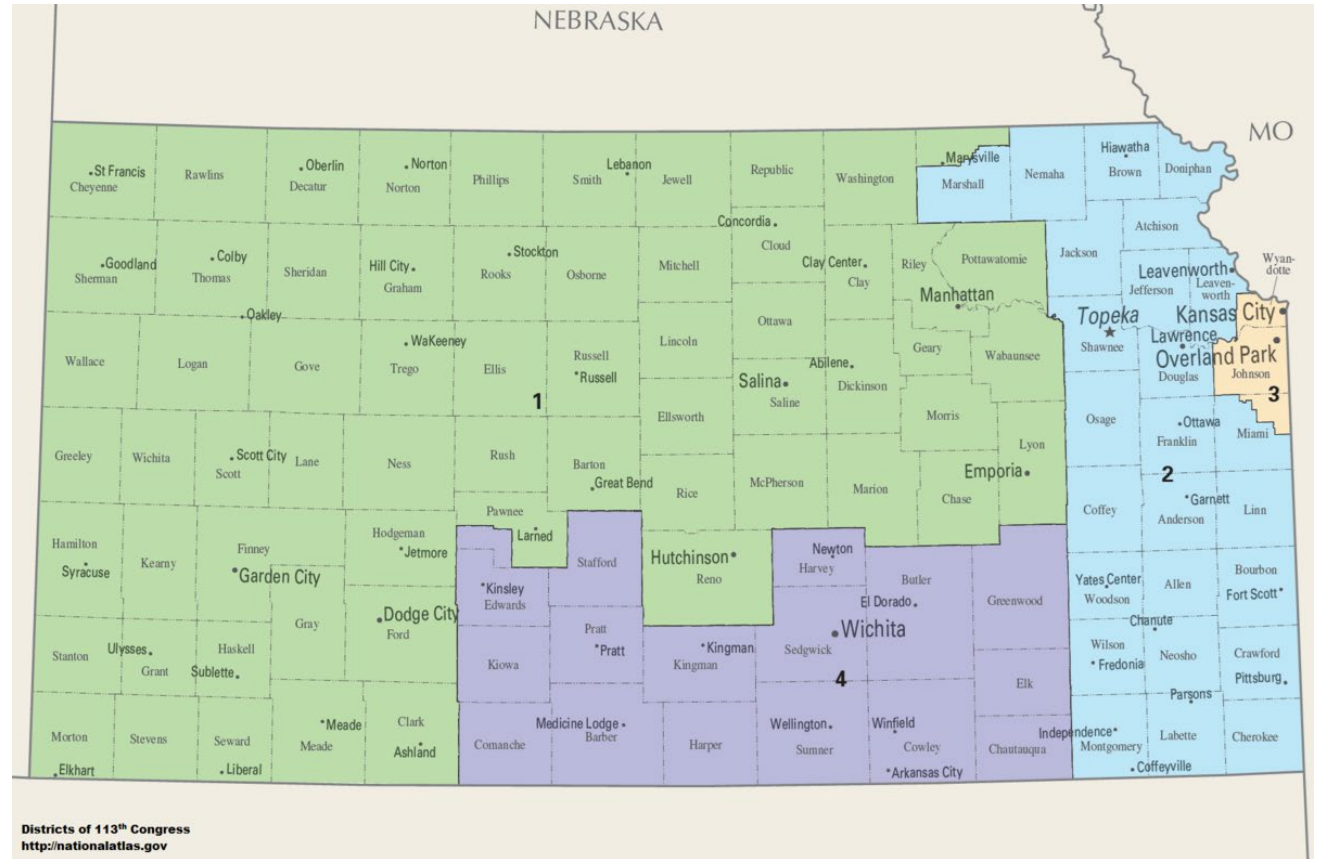
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# Redistricting

Sub for SB

[http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021\\_22/measures/documents/ccrb\\_sb563\\_01\\_0000.pdf](http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021_22/measures/documents/ccrb_sb563_01_0000.pdf)



# Kansas Governor Race

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- Incumbent Gov. Laura Kelly (D)
- Presumptive Challenger KS AG Derek Schmidt (R)



# Kansas Attorney General Race

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- Kris Kobach Republican Former Secretary of State/Gubernatorial Candidate
- Tony Mattivi Republican Retired Federal Prosecutor
- Kellie Warren Republican State Senator/Judiciary Chair
  
- Chris Mann Democrat Lawrence Attorney
- Kristi Welder Democrat Olathe Attorney

# Kansas State Treasure

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- Lynn Rogers Democrat Incumbent Treasurer
- Michael Austin Republican Former Brownback Economic Advisor
- Steven Johnson Republican State Representative/Chair Insurance & Pensions
- Caryn Tyson Republican State Senator/Assessment & Taxation Chair
- Sara Hart Weir Republican Former 3rd District Congressional Candidate

# Legislative Resources

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Kansas Legislature  
[www.kslegislature.org/li](http://www.kslegislature.org/li)

Kansas Leg. Research  
<http://www.kslegresearch.org/KLRD-web/Policy.html>

State of Kansas:  
[www.kansas.gov](http://www.kansas.gov)

Office of the Governor:  
[www.ksgovernor.org](http://www.ksgovernor.org)

Judicial Branch:  
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