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Legislative Post Audit Committee
January 13, 2026**

Call to Order

Welcome – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Shannon Francis at 12:00 p.m. in Room 546-S of the Statehouse. Committee members present:

Rep. Shannon Francis, Chair
Rep. Tom Sawyer
Rep. Sean Tarwater
Rep. Kristey Williams

Sen. Mike Thompson, Vice Chair
Sen. Mike Petersen
Sen. Caryn Tyson

Executive Session – IT Security Audits

Kansas Real Estate Commission IT Security Audit

Individuals allowed to remain in the executive session for the IT security report of the Kansas Real Estate Commission were:

Legislative Post Audit

- Chris Clarke, Legislative Post Auditor
- Katrin Osterhaus, IT Audit Manager
- Alex Gard, Principal IT Auditor
- Olivia Romig, Associate IT Auditor

Kansas Real Estate Commission

- Erik Wisner, Executive Director (via Webex)
- John Godfrey, Chief Information Security Officer, State of Kansas

Senator Thompson made the following motion:

I move that the open meeting of Legislative Post Audit Committee be recessed for a closed, executive meeting pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(a) to discuss matters relating to the security measures that protect the information systems of the Kansas Real Estate Commission with the appropriate individuals from the legislative division of post audit and the Kansas real estate commission,

pursuant to the justification listed in K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(12)(C) because discussion of such matters in an open meeting would jeopardize such security measures; that the committee resume the open meeting in room 546-S of the Statehouse at 12:16 p.m.; and to record this motion, if adopted, as part of the committee's permanent records.

Representative Tarwater seconded the motion. Motion carried. Open meeting resumed at 12:16 p.m.

Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training IT Security Audit

Individuals allowed to remain in the executive session for the IT security report of the Commission on Peace Officer's Standards and Training were:

Legislative Post Audit

- Chris Clarke, Legislative Post Auditor
- Katrin Osterhaus, IT Audit Manager
- Alex Gard, Principal IT Auditor
- Olivia Romig, Associate IT Auditor

Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training

- Mike Brown, Executive Director
- John Godfrey, Chief Information Security Officer, State of Kansas

Senator Thompson made the following motion:

I move that the open meeting of Legislative Post Audit Committee be recessed for a closed, executive meeting pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(a) to discuss matters relating to the security measures that protect the information systems of the Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training with the appropriate individuals from the legislative division of post audit and the Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training, pursuant to the justification listed in K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(12)(C) because discussion of such matters in an open meeting would jeopardize such security measures; that the committee resume the open meeting in room 546-S of the Statehouse at 12:35 p.m.; and to record this motion, if adopted, as part of the committee's permanent records.

Senator Petersen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Open meeting resumed at 12:35 p.m.

Committee Organization

Electing Committee Leadership – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, reviewed the process for electing new leadership.

Chair: Representative Francis opened the floor for nominations. Senator Petersen nominated Senator Thompson for Chair. Senator Tyson seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Representative Francis called for a vote. Senator Thompson was elected unanimously.

Vice-Chair: Representative Williams nominated Representative Tarwater for Vice-Chair. Senator Petersen seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Representative Francis called for a vote. Representative Tarwater was elected unanimously.

Executive Subcommittee member: Representative Francis nominated Representative Sawyer for the third Executive Subcommittee member. Senator Tyson seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Representative Francis called for a vote. Representative Sawyer was elected unanimously.

Consent Calendar

Matt Etzel, Deputy Principal Auditor, reviewed the consent calendar. The consent calendar included approval of the November 10, 2025, meeting minutes and acceptance of the completed IT security audits presented today. There were no objections, so the minutes and audits were approved.

Additional Business

2026 IT Security Plan– Katrin Osterhaus, IT Audit Manager, presented the annual IT security plan with the recommended options for auditing selected state agencies, one school district, one county, and one city in 2026. Senator Thompson made a motion to approve the plan. Representative Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Date of next meeting – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, provided an overview of the upcoming audit schedule. The committee discussed holding its next two meetings on January 21 and January 28.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:43 p.m.

Whitney Watson, Secretary
Legislative Post Audit Committee

date

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