

## JOINT COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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## TOPICS

The purpose of the Joint Committee on Economic Development is to maintain and promote economic development in Kansas. The Committee is also charged with receiving annual reports from the Department of Commerce and Kansas, Inc. According to statute, the Committee introduce legislation as it deems necessary.

### LCC Referred Topics:

1. **Workforce Recruitment Issues.** Study workforce recruitment issues in Kansas. Examine opportunities to help match businesses with skilled employees and assist businesses to retain skilled employees for the long-term.
2. **Refundable Tax Credits.** Review current tax credits and whether they should be refundable. Develop recommendations which encourage economic development while minimizing the negative impact on State General Fund receipts.
3. **Housing Incentives.** Explore options and make recommendations for the provision of incentives for reconstructing affordable homes in disaster areas.