

State of Kansas



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Senate President

To: Senator Beverly Gossage, Chairperson
Date: October 23, 2025
From: Chairman, Ty Masterson
Re: Robert G. (Bob) Bethell Joint Committee on Home and Community Based Services and KanCare Oversight

Pursuant to LCC Policy 33, approval is granted to the Robert G. (Bob) Bethell Joint Committee on Home and Community Based Services and KanCare Oversight to communicate with the Governor of the State of Kansas to recommend that the Governor appoint the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and a member of the Senate Minority Caucus of the Joint Committee to the Rural Health Initiative Alliance.

If you have any questions regarding this Policy 33 approval, please feel free to contact my office at (785) 296-2419.

Sincerely,

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Ty Masterson
Legislative Coordinating Council, Chairman

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Dan Hawkins
Legislative Coordinating Council, Vice
Chairman

Policy 38. Correspondence and mailing. (a)(1) Only correspondence pertaining to constituent services shall be prepared or mailed at state expense. (2) Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, on and after July 1, 2024: Each representative will be allowed a maximum of \$6,000 postage and newsletter printing allotment per calendar year; each senator will be allowed a maximum of \$18,000 postage and newsletter printing allotment per calendar year, which may allow members of the legislature to send newsletters to every household in their district. The postage and newsletter printing allotment allowed by this subsection shall not be used by any legislator after the day the regular session of the legislature adjourns sine die in a calendar year during which a general election is to be held to elect the members of such legislator's house of the legislature. The maximum allotment amount established under this paragraph will change in relation to postage rate changes made by the U.S. Postal Service for letter-size, first-class mail, and printing costs established by the state printer. (3) Allotments not used are not cumulative from calendar year to calendar year and shall not be used in any other calendar year. (4) Mailings by legislators which exceed this allotment will be charged to the respective legislator at the same amount charged to the legislature by central mail or printing/ mailing service businesses. Failure to pay for any overage in a timely manner will result in loss of legislative mailing privileges.

(b) The use of state postage in the mailing of personal correspondence is a misdemeanor. K.S.A. 21-6006 states in part: It shall be unlawful for any person to use for such person's personal use, or to allow any unauthorized person to use, any form of postage knowing such postage to have been paid for with state funds.

(c) Except as otherwise provided by law, questionnaires may be prepared, answered or mailed at state expense if: (1) The questionnaire is limited to soliciting opinions or facts relating to legislative issues or studies; (2) the questionnaire is specifically authorized by a legislator and the identity of the legislator sponsoring the questionnaire is disclosed on the questionnaire; (3) the questionnaire does not expressly advocate the nomination, election or defeat of a clearly identifiable candidate to state or local office; (4) the questionnaire has a return address other than an address at the state capitol; and (5) the questionnaire, including preparation and mailing or other distribution, is in compliance with all other applicable statutes, rules and policies, including postage and printing allotments and other limitations prescribed by the LCC.

(d) Petitions should not be answered at state expense, other than to the individual who submitted it.

(e) Exceptions to the above should be referred to the chairperson or vice-chairperson of the LCC for determination.

(f) Subject to the provisions of this subsection, a legislator may be reimbursed for the postage and newsletter printing expense of correspondence and other mailings authorized under this section which are mailed other than through central mail services. The claim for