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Legislators Remove 2.5% State Employee Pay Increase from State Budget *Employees have received only one general raise in over a decade*

Topeka, KS - In response to the Legislature's Budget Conference Committee failure to agree to a 2.5% pay raise for state employees, **AFT Kansas President Sarah LaFrenz** gave the following statement:

“For Kansans, and even most legislators in Topeka, it is clear as day that state employees have earned a modest 2.5% pay raise. This past year, they have worked harder and sacrificed more than ever in frontline essential jobs. In service to their state, workers have had to quarantine from their families, scramble to find childcare during illness or overtime, and some have even died.

“Yet, a handful of legislators decided that kind of service and sacrifice just isn’t enough for a small raise, no matter the hundreds of millions in tax breaks they just approved for corporations. They can bet this kind of twisted logic won’t sit right with working Kansans in both parties.”

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