The 2017 Kansas Legislature approved a tax increase for 2017. The KS Department of Revenue has
issued a Press Release and Notice 17-02 to provide information regarding the changes that have been
implemented to tax rates and to the KS withholding rates as a result of the legislation that was
passed. The changes include increased KS state tax withholding rates which means employees will see
Kansas state tax withheld at a higher rate from all paychecks issued on or after July 1, 2017. Links to the
documents from the Kansas Dept. of Revenue are provided below. An excerpt from the KDOR Notice
17-02 is also included to provide information for employees seeking to review the impacts to their
personal tax situation. Employees can utilize the updated Payroll Calculation Tool located in the
Employee Self Service section at www.kansas.gov/employee to review the impact of the tax withholding
changes to their paycheck. In addition, employees can use this tool at any time to model the paycheck
impacts of other changes that an employee may wish to consider such as increasing voluntary tax
withholdings, changing the number of tax allowances, increasing deferred compensation, etc.

Kansas Dept. of Revenue Press Release - 06/27/2017 New Kansas income tax withholding tables now
available:  https://www.ksrevenue.org/CMS/content/06-27-2017-NewWHTables.pdf

Kansas Dept. of Revenue - Notice 17-02 Income Tax Rates and Withholding Rates Changed for

Excerpt from Page 2 of KS Dept. of Revenue Notice 17-02:

**Withholding Tax Changes**

Under Kansas law the Secretary of Revenue is required to prepare tables, and/or to prescribe schedules
or rates, for withholding tax that will approximate an employee’s annual tax liability during a calendar
year. Under the provisions of the new legislation this task is complicated by the fact the income tax rates
for tax year 2017 are changing in mid-year, meaning many employees will not have had enough tax
withheld for the year. In addition, tax rates will change again in only 6 months because different rates
become effective January 1, 2018, for tax year 2018.

To address these concerns the Department has updated the withholding tax tables to reflect the higher
2018 tax year withholding tax rates. These tables are available through the Department’s website at:
https://ksrevenue.org/forms-btwh.html Applying these rates to the second half of tax year 2017 should
allow most employees to “catch-up” on their withholding for tax year 2017. In addition, beginning to
withhold at the 2018 rate now means it will not be necessary to change the amount of withholding
again in just 6 months.

While using the 2018 withholding rate tables will make the necessary adjustments to most wage earners
withholding, every taxpayer is different. As a result, the Department encourages all wage earners to
review their personal tax situation, and to discuss any questions with their tax preparer or tax
professional.