

KS confirms 18th virus case

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Kansas is now reporting 18 confirmed cases of the coronavirus.

As the state hustles to control the virus, the House has approved a bill to give laid-off workers another 10 weeks of unemployment benefits. After the measure cleared a committee Tuesday morning, the chamber canceled all of its remaining committee meetings until further notice.

Also Tuesday, the Kansas Lottery Commission announced it will close the four state-owned casinos until at least March 30.

Gov. Laura Kelly has banned all gatherings of more than 50 people until May 1.

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