

Kansas, such committee may request approval from the state finance council to make expenditures from the build Kansas matching grant account: *And provided further*, That upon receipt and review of such request, the state finance council acting on this matter, which is hereby characterized as a matter of legislative delegation and subject to the guidelines prescribed in K.S.A. 75-3711c(c), and amendments thereto, is hereby authorized to approve such expenditures: *And provided further*, That such expenditures shall be approved by the governor and the majority of the legislative members of the state finance council and that such approval also may be given while the legislature is in session.

Sec. 145.

STATE FINANCE COUNCIL

(a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:
State operations DCF (including official hospitality).....\$5,000,000
Provided, That on or before January 1, 2027, the secretary for children and families shall certify to the members of the state finance council that the secretary has implemented the statewide demonstration waiver from the United States department of agriculture to exclude candy and soft drinks from the definition of eligible foods under 7 C.F.R. § 271.2, to be used by retailers statewide and ensuring that ebt payments cannot be used to purchase candy or soft drinks: *Provided further*, That upon receipt of such certification from the secretary, the state finance council, acting on this matter, which is hereby characterized as a matter of legislative delegation and subject to the guidelines prescribed in K.S.A. 75-3711c(c), and amendments thereto, is hereby authorized to approve the expenditure of the remaining moneys from the state operations DCF (including official hospitality) account to the Kansas department for children and families: *And provided further*, That, as used in this proviso: (1) "Candy" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 79-3602, and amendments thereto; and (2) "soft drinks" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 79-3602, and amendments thereto: *Provided, however*, That such expenditure shall be approved by the governor and the majority of the legislative members of the state finance council and that such approval may also be given while the legislature is in session.

Sec. 146.

STATE FINANCE COUNCIL

(a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:
SNAP administrative match.....\$12,061,053
Provided, That the secretary for children and families shall provide a report to the members of the state finance council on expenditures for the above agency's administration of the supplemental nutrition assistance program and the above agency's payment error rates that measure the accuracy of the above agency's eligibility and benefit determinations: *Provided further*, That upon receipt and review of such report from the secretary, the state finance council, acting on this matter, which is hereby characterized as a matter of legislative delegation and subject to the guidelines prescribed in K.S.A. 75-3711c(c), and amendments thereto, is hereby authorized to approve the expenditure of moneys from the SNAP administrative match account to the Kansas department for children and families: *And provided further*, That such expenditures shall be approved by the governor and the majority of the legislative members of the state finance council and that such approval also may be given while the legislature is in session.

Sec. 147.

STATE FINANCE COUNCIL

(a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

Regents institutions operating expenditures.....\$12,000,000
Provided, That all moneys in the regents institutions operating expenditures account shall be used for the purpose of providing each regents institution \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 2027.

(b) During fiscal year 2027, on or before July 31, 2026, the secretary of administration, in consultation with the governor's department, shall certify to the members of the state finance council that all state agencies have:

- (1) Eliminated any positions that relate to diversity, equity and inclusion;
- (2) eliminated any mandates, policies, programs, preferences and activities relating to diversity, equity and inclusion;
- (3) eliminated any training requirements in diversity, equity and inclusion for any employee;
- (4) canceled any state grants or contracts relating to diversity, equity and inclusion; and
- (5) create standardized email signature blocks for state employee's email accounts that do not contain gender identifying pronouns.

(c) During fiscal year 2027, except as provided further, on or before July 31, 2026, the chief executive officer of the state board of regents, in consultation with the heads of the postsecondary educational institutions, shall certify to the members of the state finance council that for the 2026-2027 academic year a definition of DEI-CRT for use in this section and a statement of understanding establishing the goals of this section have been adopted by policy of the board.

(d) During fiscal year 2029, except as provided further, on or before July 31, 2028, the chief executive officer of the state board of regents, in consultation with the heads of the postsecondary educational institutions, shall certify to the members of the state finance council that for the 2028-2029 academic year all postsecondary educational institutions have established curricula and designated courses at the postsecondary educational institutions in a manner that does not require or constrain students to enroll in a DEI-CRT course in order to satisfy the requirements of any academic program. Academic program requirements whose title clearly establishes its course of study as primarily focused on racial, ethnic or gender studies may be exempted in writing by the state board of regents or such institution's governing body from the provisions of this subsection, subject to the following:

- (1) A student may not be required or constrained to enroll in any such program or course in order to satisfy the requirements of any other academic program.
- (2) Courses offered or listed under such programs shall satisfy the academic program requirements of such program only and shall not be used to satisfy degree requirements for any other academic program beyond satisfying institution credit hour graduation requirements.

(e) The secretary of administration and the chief executive officer of the state board of regents shall present such certification and any additional information to the state finance council at a state finance council meeting. The state finance council acting on this matter, which is hereby characterized as a matter of legislative delegation and subject to the guidelines prescribed in K.S.A. 75-3711c(c), and amendments thereto, is hereby authorized to approve expenditures from the regents institutions operating expenditures account upon a finding that the state board of regents, in consultation with the heads of the postsecondary educational institutions, has complied with subsection (c). Such expenditures shall be approved by the governor and the majority of the legislative members of the state finance council and that such approval also may be given while the legislature is in session.

(f) As used in this section:

(1) "Academic program" includes any credential, certificate or degree program at a postsecondary educational institution.

(2) "Postsecondary educational institution" or "institution" means any public university, municipal university, community college and technical college and includes any entity resulting from the consolidation or affiliation of any two or more of such postsecondary educational institutions.

Sec. 148.

STATE FINANCE COUNCIL

(a) On the effective date of this act, of the \$40,000,000 appropriated for the above agency for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, by section 155(a) of chapter 117 of the 2025 Session Laws of Kansas from the state general fund in the state employee pay increase account, the sum of \$3,781,905 is hereby lapsed.

Sec. 149.

STATE FINANCE COUNCIL

(a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

State employee pay increase.....\$13,200,000

Provided, That all moneys in the state employee pay increase account shall be used for the purpose of paying the proportionate share of the cost to the state general fund of the salary increase, including associated employer contributions, during fiscal year 2027.

(b) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state water plan fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

State employee pay increase.....\$18,659

Provided, That all moneys in the state employee pay increase account shall be used for the purpose of paying the proportionate share of the cost to the state water plan fund of the salary increase, including associated employer contributions, during fiscal year 2027.

(c) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state economic development initiatives fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

State employee pay increase.....\$134,127

Provided, That all moneys in the state employee pay increase account shall be used for the purpose of paying the proportionate share of the cost to the state economic development initiatives fund of the salary increase, including associated employer contributions, during fiscal year 2027.

(d) There is appropriated for the above agency from the children's initiatives fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

State employee pay increase.....\$4,606

Provided, That all moneys in the state employee pay increase account shall be used for the purpose of paying the proportionate share of the cost to the children's initiatives fund of the salary increase, including associated employer contributions, during fiscal year 2027.

(e) There is appropriated for the above agency from the Kansas endowment for youth fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the following:

State employee pay increase.....\$1,802

Provided, That all moneys in the state employee pay increase account shall be used for the purpose of paying the proportionate share of the cost to the Kansas endowment for youth fund of the salary increase, including associated employer contributions, during fiscal year 2027.

(f) Upon recommendation of the director of the budget, the state finance council, acting on this matter, which is hereby characterized as a matter of legislative delegation and subject to the guidelines prescribed in K.S.A. 75-3711c(c), and amendments thereto, is hereby authorized to approve: (1) Increases in expenditure limitations on