

2023 Kansas Statutes

32-1412. State tourism fund, establishment, administration, expenditures, budget estimates; legislative approval of itemized expenditures; interest earnings. (a) There is hereby established in the state treasury the state tourism fund. All moneys credited to the state tourism fund shall only be used for expenditures for the purposes of developing new tourism attractions in Kansas and to significantly expand existing tourism attractions in Kansas. Both public and private entities shall be eligible to apply for funds under the provisions of this act.

(b) The secretary of commerce shall administer the provisions of this act. The secretary may adopt rules and regulations establishing criteria for obtaining grants and other expenditures from such fund and other matters deemed necessary for the administration of this act.

(c) All expenditures from such fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary of commerce or the secretary's designee.

(d) The secretary of commerce shall prepare and submit budget estimates for all proposed expenditures from the state tourism fund in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3717 and 75-3717b, and amendments thereto. Such budget estimates shall include detailed information regarding all proposed expenditures for programs, projects, activities and other matters and shall set forth separately each program, project, activity or other expenditure for which the proposed expenditures from the state tourism fund for a fiscal year are for an amount that is equal to \$50,000 or more. Appropriations for the Kansas department of commerce of moneys in the state tourism fund for each program, project, activity or other expenditure for a fiscal year for an amount that is equal to \$50,000 or more shall be made as a separate item of appropriation.

(e) The legislature shall approve or disapprove of any itemized expenditure from the state tourism fund.

(f) On or before the 10th of each month, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer from the state general fund to the state tourism fund established in subsection (a) interest earnings based on:

(1) The average daily balance of moneys in the state tourism fund for the preceding month; and

(2) the net earnings rate of the pooled money investment portfolio for the preceding month.

History: L. 1997, ch. 171, § 1; L. 2003, ch. 154, § 86; L. 2012, ch. 47, § 110; L. 2023, ch. 7, § 99; July 1.