

2023 Kansas Statutes

74-72,123. Definitions; website, content, design, provision of information by agencies. (a) As used in the Kansas taxpayer transparency act:

(1) "Searchable website" means a website that allows the public to search and aggregate the information identified in subsection (b) including requirements that the website offer the public the ability to efficiently search and display data, and ascertain the total amounts of revenues and expenditures (A) of funds established within the state treasury in an aggregate or summary form in a manner determined by the secretary of administration, (B) of compensation paid to public employees employed by state agencies, and (C) of bond debt as specified in this act.

(2) "Agency" means any entity or instrumentality of the state of Kansas as defined in K.S.A. 75-3701, and amendments thereto, and any other entity or instrumentality delegated statutory authority by the legislature to issue bonds and to collect revenue for the purpose of repaying bonds issued under authority delegated by statute.

(3) "Board" means the public finance transparency board.

(b) No later than March 1, 2009, the secretary of administration shall develop and operate a single, searchable website accessible by the public at no cost to access, that includes:

(1) Annual expenditures, as determined by the secretary of administration and as available within the central accounting system and state payroll system, shall include, but not be limited to:

(A) Disbursements by any state agency from funds established within the state treasury;

(B) bond debt payments;

(C) salaries and wages including, but not limited to, compensation paid to individual employees of state agencies;

(D) contractual services including, but not limited to, amounts paid to individual vendors;

(E) commodities including, but not limited to, amounts paid to individual vendors;

(F) capital outlay including, but not limited to, amounts paid to individual vendors;

(G) debt service including, but not limited to, amounts of bond interest paid and sources of funds paid for individual bond issues;

(H) aid to local units including, but not limited to, amounts paid to individual units of government for individually identifiable aid programs;

(I) other assistance and benefits;

(J) capital improvements including, but not limited to, amounts of bond principal paid and sources of funds paid for individual bond issues; and

(K) tax expenditures as reported by the secretary of revenue in the annual tax expenditure report.

(2) Annual revenues, as determined by the secretary of administration and as available within the central accounting system, shall include, but not be limited to:

(A) Receipts or deposits by any state agency into funds established within the state treasury;

(B) taxes including, but not limited to, compulsory contributions imposed by the state for the purpose of financing services;

(C) agency earnings including, but not limited to, amounts collected by each agency for merchandise sold, services performed, licenses and permits issued, or regulation;

(D) revenue for the use of money and property including, but not limited to, amounts received for compensation for the use of state-owned money and property;

(E) gifts, donations and federal grants including, but not limited to, amounts received from public and private entities to aid in support of a specific function or other governmental activity;

(F) other revenue including, but not limited to, receipts not classified elsewhere; and

(G) non-revenue receipts including, but not limited to, all receipts that do not constitute revenue.

(3) Annual bonded indebtedness which shall include, but not be limited to the amount of the total original obligation stated in terms of principal and interest, the term of the obligation, the source of funding for repayment of the obligation, the

amounts of principal and interest previously paid to reduce the obligation, the balance remaining of the obligation, any refinancing of the obligation, and the cited statutory authority to issue such bonds.

(4) Any other relevant information specified by the secretary of administration after consulting with and seeking the advice of the public finance transparency board as established in K.S.A. 74-72,124, and amendments thereto.

(c) The single website provided for in subsection (b) of this section shall include data for fiscal year 2003 and each fiscal year thereafter. The website shall be designed so that such data shall be retained on the single website for not less than 10 years and shall include data for the most recent fiscal years. Data that is available in the central accounting system and state payroll system shall be on the single website as soon as possible, but not later than 45 days after the last day of the preceding fiscal year. The secretary of administration shall develop policies and procedures to make data available from any other source. Nothing in this act shall require the secretary of administration to provide information on the website that is not available in the central accounting system and the state payroll system at the time of initial implementation of the website. After implementation of the initial website, the public finance transparency board shall advise the secretary of administration on incorporating additional information described by this act from any other source of information available to the secretary of administration including information submitted by state agencies pursuant to subsection (d) of this section.

(d) Any state agency shall provide, at the request of the secretary of administration, such information as is necessary to accomplish the purposes of this act.

(e) Nothing in this act shall permit or require the disclosure of information which is considered confidential by state or federal law.

History: L. 2008, ch. 112, § 6; L. 2010, ch. 160, § 9; July 1.