

2023 Kansas Statutes

74-8831. Greyhound breeding development fund; greyhound tourism fund; expenditures from such funds. (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury the Kansas greyhound breeding development fund to which moneys shall be credited as provided by this act. 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 chairperson of the commission or a person designated by the chairperson.

(b) Moneys credited to the fund shall be expended as follows:

(1) An amount equal to 15% of all moneys credited to the fund during a fiscal year shall be transferred by the director of accounts and reports on June 30 of each year to the greyhound tourism fund created by subsection (c);

(2) an amount equal to 35% of all moneys credited to the fund during a fiscal year shall be used for research conducted within the state of Kansas relating to the prevention of injury to and disease of greyhounds;

(3) subject to the provisions of subsection (e), an amount equal to 50% of all moneys credited to the fund during a fiscal year, less the amount determined by the commission pursuant to subsection (b)(4), shall be used by the racetrack facilities where derived to supplement stake races for Kansas-whelped greyhounds as approved by the commission;

(4) an amount determined by the commission, but not to exceed \$30,000 of the moneys credited to the fund during a fiscal year, shall be used to pay a portion of the administrative costs of the official registering agency designated by the commission pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8832, and amendments thereto; and

(5) as provided by subsection (e).

(c) Moneys credited to the Kansas greyhound breeding development fund shall be used only for the benefit of greyhounds.

(d) There is hereby created in the state treasury the greyhound tourism fund. Moneys in such fund shall be used only for the promotion of greyhound-related tourism. 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 a person designated by the secretary.

(e) If live greyhound racing ceases at a racetrack facility for a period of 60 continuous days or the commission finds that live greyhound racing is likely to cease at a racetrack facility for a period of 60 continuous days, any undisbursed moneys that would otherwise be expended pursuant to subsection (b)(3) shall be expended in accordance with the following:

(1) The commission shall compile a roster of Kansas-whelped greyhounds in each licensed kennel on the day of racing at the racetrack facility prior to the day of cessation of racing (the "census date"), except that any Kansas-whelped greyhound that has not been in residence in the kennel and on the kennel's active list for five of the 14 days immediately preceding the census date shall not be included in the roster.

(2) The undisbursed moneys shall be divided equally among the qualified Kansas-whelped greyhounds identified pursuant to the census described in subsection (e)(1).

(3) The funds awarded to each qualified Kansas-whelped greyhound shall be divided equally between the licensed owner of the Kansas-whelped greyhound and the licensed kennel owner in whose kennel the Kansas-whelped greyhound was resident. If such a greyhound or kennel has multiple owners, the owner's share and kennel owner's share shall be prorated in accordance with the ownership percentages of each part owner of such greyhound or kennel, as appears in the commission's multiple ownership or kennel registration records.

(4) Payments to Kansas-whelped greyhound owners and kennel owners pursuant to this subsection shall be made directly from the Kansas greyhound breeding development fund to such greyhound owners and kennel owners.

History: L. 1987, ch. 112, § 30; L. 1989, ch. 246, § 5; L. 1994, ch. 146, § 8; L. 1998, ch. 178, § 6; L. 2003, ch. 154, § 78; July 1.