

## 2023 Kansas Statutes

**75-770. Transfer of office of inspector general from the department of health and environment to the office of the attorney general.** (a) On and after the effective date of this act, all of the powers, duties, functions, records and property of the office of the inspector general within the department of health and environment are hereby transferred to the office of inspector general within the office of the attorney general, except as is otherwise provided.

(b) (1) The office of inspector general within the office of the attorney general shall be the successor in every way of the powers, duties and functions of the office of the inspector general within the department of health and environment in which the same were vested prior to the effective date of this act, except as otherwise provided.

(2) Whenever the office of the inspector general within the department of health and environment, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by a statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the office of inspector general within the office of the attorney general.

(3) All orders or directives of the office of the inspector general within the department of health and environment in existence on the effective date of this act shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be the orders or directives of the office of inspector general within the office of the attorney general, until revised, amended, repealed or nullified pursuant to law.

(c) On the effective date of this act, all unexpended balances of appropriations of the office of the inspector general within the department of health and environment shall be transferred to the office of the attorney general to be used by the office of inspector general within the office of the attorney general to carry out the powers, duties and functions transferred to the office of the inspector general within the office of the attorney general by the provisions of this act.

(d) (1) No suit, action or other proceeding, judicial or administrative, lawfully commenced, or which could have been commenced, by or against any existing state agency mentioned in this act, or by or against any officer of the state in the officer's official capacity or in relation to the discharge of the officer's official duties, shall abate by reason of the taking effect of this act. The court may allow any such suit, action or other proceeding to be maintained by or against the successor of any such existing state agency, or any officer affected.

(2) No criminal action commenced or which could have been commenced by the state shall abate by the taking effect of this act.

(e) Whenever any conflict arises as to the disposition of any power, function or duty or the unexpended balance of any appropriation as a result of any abolishment, transfer, attachment or other change made by this act, or under authority of this act, the conflict shall be resolved by the governor and such decision of the governor shall be final.

**History:** L. 2017, ch. 76, § 3; June 1.