

## 2023 Kansas Statutes

**75-52,168. Authorization to enter into agreements; analysis of feasibility; advise and consult the joint committee on state building construction; issuance of bonds; annual reports.** (a) The secretary is hereby authorized to enter agreements with private entities for public-private project for the purpose of funding new or renovated buildings at a correctional institution for:

(1) Education and skills-building programs and services; and

(2) purposes of addressing the spiritual needs of incarcerated persons.

(b) The secretary shall determine whether the project is suitable for a public-private partnership agreement, by conducting an analysis of the feasibility, desirability and the convenience to the public of the project and whether the project furthers the public policy goals of the department of corrections. The secretary shall consult with the secretary of administration for input from the office of facilities and property management when conducting such analysis.

(c) Prior to commencement of a public-private project, the secretary shall advise and consult with the joint committee on state building construction concerning such project, including the budget for such project.

(d) Nothing in this act shall be construed to mean that a public-private partnership may be established for the purpose of developing, financing or construction of a privately operated correctional institution.

(e) The secretary may request approval for the issuance of bonds for a public-private project from the department of administration for the purposes of K.S.A. 74-8905(b), and amendments thereto, and the authorization of the issuance of bonds by the Kansas development finance authority in accordance with K.S.A. 74-8905, and amendments thereto.

(f) The secretary shall submit to the house of representatives committee on corrections and juvenile justice and the senate committee on judiciary at the beginning of the regular session of the legislature in 2022 and annually thereafter a report of the following: Status of any public-private project entered into; funds raised for the education, skills-building and spiritual needs programs and services; buildings renovated or constructed for such programs or services; names of all education and skills-building program and service providers; brief description of the programs and services offered; number of inmates enrolled in an education or skills-building program or service; and graduation or completion outcomes of each education or skills-building program or service.

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