## **HOUSE BILL No. 2343**

By Committee on Health and Human Services

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AN ACT concerning public health; relating to the secretary of health and environment; office of laboratory services; amending K.S.A. 65-157, 65-1,109a and 75-5608 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 75-5607.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 65-157 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-157. The analysis of all waters required in the rules and regulations shall be made by the office of laboratory services of the department of health and environment and the fees collected under the provisions of this act by the secretary of health and environment shall be remitted by the secretary to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund office of laboratory services operating fund.

- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-1,109a is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1,109a. (a) The secretary of health and environment may adopt rules and regulations establishing: (1) Procedures and qualifications for certification of laboratories performing analyses required pursuant to K.S.A. 65-161 et seq., 65-171d, 65-3001 et seq., 65-3401 et seq. or 65-3430 et seq. or K.S.A. 65-3452a et seq. or 65-34,105 et seq., and amendments thereto; and (2) a schedule of fees to defray all or part of the costs of administering the certification program. Such fees shall not be refundable. Failure to pay assessed fees shall be cause for denial of certification.
- (b) Any person who violates any provision of the rules and regulations adopted under this act shall, after notice and hearing in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act, be subject to suspension, denial or revocation of any certification granted hereunder and a civil penalty not to exceed \$500. Each day a violation continues shall be deemed a separate violation.
- (c) The secretary of health and environment shall remit all moneys received from fees or penalties pursuant to this section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund office of laboratory services operating fund.

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Sec. 3. K.S.A. 75-5608 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-5608. (a) There is hereby established under the supervision of the secretary of health and environment, an office of laboratory services. The office of laboratory services shall provide laboratory information and perform laboratory tests and experiments as directed by the secretary of health and environment and shall exercise such other powers, duties and functions as the secretary of health and environment may direct.

- (b) The secretary may adopt rules and regulations for the collection and biological or chemical analysis of samples received by the office of laboratory services. The secretary, by adoption of rules and regulations, may fix fees for any biological or chemical analysis services provided by the office of laboratory services and waive any such fees whenever the secretary finds that waiver is in the interest of protecting the public health and safety.
- (c) Fees collected under this section shall be remitted by the secretary to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the office of laboratory services operating fund.
- New Sec. 4. (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury the office of laboratory services operating fund. Expenditures from the office of laboratory services operating fund shall be used by the department of health and environment only for the purposes of operating the office of laboratory services. All such expenditures from the office of laboratory services operating fund shall be made in accordance with appropriations acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary of health and environment or the secretary's designee.
- (b) On or before the 10<sup>th</sup> day of each month, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer from the state general fund to the office of laboratory services operating fund interest earnings based on:
- (1) The average daily balance of moneys in the office of laboratory services operating fund, for the preceding month; and
- (2) the net earnings rate of the pooled money investment portfolio for the preceding month.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 65-157, 65-1,109a, 75-5607 and 75-5608 are hereby repealed.

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