

65-3424g. Waste tire management fund. (a) There is hereby established in the state treasury the waste tire management fund.

(b) Money from the following sources shall be credited to the waste tire management fund:

- (1) Revenue collected from the excise tax by K.S.A. 65-3424d, and amendments thereto;
- (2) permit application and renewal fees provided for by K.S.A. 65-3424b, and amendments thereto;
- (3) interest provided for by subsection (f);
- (4) additional sources of funding such as reimbursements and appropriations intended to be used for the purposes of the fund;

(5) any recoveries from abatement and enforcement actions provided for by K.S.A. 65-3424k, and amendments thereto; and

(6) any other moneys provided by law.

(c) Moneys in the waste tire management fund shall be used only for the purpose of:

(1) Paying compensation and other expenses of employing personnel to carry out the duties of the secretary pursuant to K.S.A. 65-3424 through 65-3424h, and amendments thereto, but not more than \$250,000;

(2) action by the department to implement interim measures to minimize nuisances or risks to public health or the environment that are or could be created by waste tire accumulations, until the responsible party can fully abate the site or until a state clean-up occurs pursuant to K.S.A. 65-3424k, and amendments thereto;

(3) action by the department to pay for the removal and disposal or on-site stabilization of waste tires which have been illegally accumulated or illegally managed, when the responsible party is unknown or unwilling or unable to perform the necessary corrective action;

(4) the costs of using contractors to provide: (A) Public education regarding proper management of waste tires; (B) technical training of persons on the requirements of solid waste laws and rules and regulations relating to waste tires; and (C) services described in subsection (i) of K.S.A. 65-3424k, and amendments thereto;

(5) grants to public or private entities for up to 50% of the cost to start-up or enhance projects to recycle waste tires or recover energy through waste tire combustion; and

(6) grants to local units of government and any public or private school for grades kindergarten through twelve to pay up to 50% of the costs to purchase tire derived products made from recycled waste tires. As used in this section, "tire derived products" means athletic field surfacing, playground cover, horticulture products and molded or extruded rubber products made from recycled waste tires.

(d) All grant applications received for waste tire recycling grants shall be reviewed by the solid waste grants advisory committee established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-3426, and amendments thereto. Waste tire recycling grants shall be subject to the requirements set forth in subsection (g) of K.S.A. 65-3415, and amendments thereto, related to the misuse of grant funds with the exception that any grant funds recovered by the secretary shall be deposited to the waste tire management fund. Waste tire management funds shall be used only for waste tire recycling grants. Waste tire grants shall not be awarded, nor shall waste tire funds be disbursed to a grant recipient, if the department determines that the grant applicant or recipient is operating in substantial violation of applicable environmental laws or regulations administered by the department.

(e) All expenditures from the waste tire management 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.

(f) On or before the 10th of each month, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer from the state general fund to the waste tire management fund interest earnings based on: (1) The average daily balance of moneys in the waste tire management fund for the preceding month; and (2) the net earnings rate for the pooled money investment portfolio for the preceding month.

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