

**65-7005. Secretary; powers and duties; director; powers and duties.** (a) The secretary is authorized and directed to:

(1) Adopt such rules and regulations, standards and procedures as may be necessary to carry out the purposes and provisions of this act;

(2) expend and authorize the expenditure of moneys from the chemical control act fund;

(3) report to the legislature on further assistance needed to administer the chemical control program;

(4) administer the chemical control program pursuant to provisions of this act;

(5) cooperate with appropriate federal, state, interstate and local units of government and with appropriate private organizations in carrying out the duties under this act;

(6) issue such orders necessary to implement the provisions of this act, and enforce the same by all appropriate administrative and judicial proceedings;

(7) collect and disseminate information and conduct educational and training programs relating to the chemical control program;

(8) accept, receive and administer grants or other funds or gifts from public and private entities, including the federal government, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act;

(9) enter into contracts and agreements with the director of the Kansas bureau of investigation, other government agencies or private entities as necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

(10) examine and copy records and other information.

(b) The secretary may request the attorney general to bring an action in district court to seize property contaminated with chemicals for purposes of disposal or to enforce any other provision of this act.

(c) The director is authorized to: (1) Provide investigative assistance to the department of health and environment when requested by the secretary or the secretary's duly authorized agent;

(2) conduct civil actions necessary to seize chemicals or chemical-contaminated materials from alleged illegal drug manufacturing sites or to gain access to illegal drug manufacturing sites;

(3) serve as the single point of contact for screening alleged illegal drug manufacturing sites to determine if clean up or evaluation by a local health officer or the secretary is necessary;

(4) serve as the contact agency for conducting any clean up action necessary at an alleged illegal drug manufacturing site where the removal of floors, walls, furniture or soil is not required and where the contamination of groundwater has not occurred; and

(5) enter into any agreements with the secretary necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

**History:** L. 1999, ch. 170, § 11; July 1.