

**72-8415a. Districts may self-insure for life, health and disability benefits; provision for employees and dependents; payroll deductions.** (a) If the board of education of any school district elects to act as a self-insurer for the provision of health care services, disability income benefits or a group life insurance benefit as authorized by K.S.A. 72-8414, and amendments thereto, the board shall make payments for claims, judgments and expenses for health care services, disability income benefits or group life insurance benefits, whichever is applicable from the special reserve fund of the school district.

The board of education may enter into a trust agreement with any corporate entity having the powers of a trust company within the state of Kansas, and may transfer from time to time amounts held in the special reserve fund to the custody of the trustee for safeguarding and investment. Any such trust agreement may grant the trustee the power to exercise such fiscal management and administrative control as may be necessary for the lawful and efficient management of any such amounts transferred to the custody of the trustee.

(b) If the board of trustees of any community college elects to act as a self-insurer for the provision of health care services, disability income benefits or a group life insurance benefit as authorized by K.S.A. 72-8414, and amendments thereto, the board shall create a separate health care services reserve fund or disability income benefits reserve fund, or a separate group life insurance benefit reserve fund, or all three, in the budget of the community college which shall be reserve funds for the payments of claims, judgments and expenses for health care services or disability income benefits or group life insurance benefits, whichever is applicable. Any balance remaining in any such reserve fund at the end of the fiscal year shall be carried forward into that reserve fund for succeeding fiscal years. No such fund shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2925 through 79-2937, and amendments thereto. In preparing the budget of such community college, the amounts credited to and the amount on hand in any such reserve fund, and the amount expended therefrom shall be included in the annual budget for the information of the residents. Interest earned on the investment of moneys in any such fund shall be credited to that fund.

The board of trustees, may enter into a trust agreement with any corporate entity having the powers of a trust company within the state of Kansas, and may transfer from time to time amounts held in the health care services reserve fund or the disability income benefits reserve fund, or the group life insurance benefit reserve fund, or all three, to the custody of the trustee for safeguarding and investment. Any such trust agreement may grant the trustee the power to exercise such fiscal management and administrative control as may be necessary for the lawful and efficient management of any such amounts transferred to the custody of the trustee.

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