

76-205. Official designation; merger with Kansas state university; vesting of property and rights; transfer of personnel; contracts and legal proceedings saved; separate agency for budget purposes.

(a) The Kansas college of technology hereby is merged with and made a part of the Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science, and the institutional infrastructure of the college hereby is designated as the Kansas state university—Salina, college of technology. All properties, moneys, appropriations, rights and authorities vested in the Kansas college of technology prior to the effective date of this act hereby are vested in Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science. Whenever the Kansas technical institute, or the Kansas college of technology, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by any statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science.

(b) The merger effected by this act shall not affect any contract, agreement or assurance in effect on the effective date of this act. All lawful debts of the Kansas college of technology shall be assumed and paid by the Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science.

(c) Subject to authorization by the state board of regents, all personnel of the Kansas college of technology, who are necessary, in the opinion of the president of Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science, to the operation of the Kansas state university—Salina, college of technology, shall become personnel of Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science. All such personnel shall retain all retirement benefits and all rights of employment which had accrued to or vested in such personnel prior to the merger effected by this act. The employment of such personnel shall be deemed to have been uninterrupted.

(d) (1) No suit, action or other proceeding, judicial or administrative, lawfully commenced, or which could have been commenced, by or against the Kansas college of technology, or by or against any personnel of the Kansas college of technology, shall abate by reason of the merger effected by operation of this act. The court may allow any such suit, action or other proceeding to be maintained by or against the Kansas state university of agriculture and applied science.

(2) No criminal action commenced or which could have been commenced by the Kansas college of technology shall abate by the taking effect of this act.

(e) Commencing with the 1992 fiscal year, for the purpose of preparation of the governor's budget report and related legislative measure or measures for submission to the legislature, the Kansas state university—Salina, college of technology shall be considered a separate state agency and shall be titled for such purpose as the "Kansas State University—Salina, College of Technology." The budget estimates and requests of such college shall be presented as a state agency separate from Kansas state university, and such separation shall be maintained in the budget documents and reports prepared by the director of the budget and the governor, or either of them, including all related legislative reports and measures submitted to the legislature.

History: L. 1988, ch. 297, § 1; L. 1991, ch. 272, § 1; May 2.