

**75-6506a. Health care benefits program; pilot program; employer contributions for certain children; report to legislature.** (a) Commencing in plan year 2002, within the limits of appropriations thereof, the Kansas state employees health care commission shall establish a pilot program which provides that, if an active employee of the state of Kansas is enrolled in a health care benefits plan administered by the Kansas state employees health care commission, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-6501 et seq., and amendments thereto, the commission shall provide that a percentage determined by the commission, within the limits of appropriations for the pilot program, of the cost to cover an eligible child or children shall be paid as an employer contribution for the participation of any eligible child or children in the state health benefits program.

(b) As used in this section, "eligible child" means any child who is an eligible dependent pursuant to K.A.R. 108-1-1 and who is otherwise eligible for insurance coverage under the insurance plan authorized by K.S.A. 38-2001, and amendments thereto, and under the guidelines for eligibility developed by the commission within the limits of appropriations for the pilot program but is not eligible solely because the child is a member of a family that is eligible for health benefits coverage under a state health benefits plan administered by the Kansas state employees health care commission.

(c) The Kansas state employees health care commission shall report its findings and any recommendations which the commission may have concerning the pilot program established under this section to the governor and to the legislature annually.

(d) The secretary of administration is hereby authorized to receive grants, gifts or donations from the United States government, or its agencies, the Sunflower Foundation: Healthcare for Kansas, or any other source whatsoever for the purposes of the pilot program established under this section and amendments thereto, and any moneys so received shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the cafeteria benefits fund established by K.S.A. 75-6513, and amendments thereto. All funds received pursuant to this section shall be placed in a separate account within the cafeteria benefits fund. All expenditures made from such fund for the purposes of this section shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued by the secretary of administration or a person designated by the secretary of administration.

**History:** L. 2001, ch. 198, § 3; July 1.