

74-5209. Creative arts industries commission; powers and duties. (a) The commission shall be the official agency of the state for the development and coordination of the arts within the state and employment development in the creative arts industries. The commission shall promote, support, coordinate, foster, develop and measure the outcomes of the arts, their practice and their impact on employment development within this state and shall have the power to:

- (1) Appoint such advisory committees as it deems advisable and necessary to effectuate the provisions of this act;
- (2) accept, on behalf of the state of Kansas, and expend any federal funds granted by act of congress or by executive order for all or any purpose of the commission, except that the commission may expend such funds only upon appropriation by the legislature if the federal funds require matching state contributions or capital outlay or create a commitment for future state spending;
- (3) accept any gifts, grants, donations or bequests for all or any of the purposes of the commission, including funds from the sale of real or personal property;
- (4) propose methods and processes to encourage private and public initiatives that recognize and enhance the role that the arts play in creative industries;
- (5) prepare, promulgate or publish advertising and promotional books, pamphlets and materials consistent with the purposes of this act, and prepare and publish reports or surveys containing information relating to the arts and the activities of the commission or other agencies, public or private, as may be requested by the governor or the legislature;
- (6) advise and consult with national foundations and other local, state and federal departments and agencies on methods by which to coordinate and assist existing resources and facilities to foster artistic and cultural endeavors toward the use of the arts, both nationally and internationally, in the best interest of Kansas;
- (7) enter into agreement with other states, or with the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof, having duties or functions similar to the commission, or with private associations or corporations, or with private or public colleges or universities, or with any public or private school, or with individual persons for any purpose consistent with the objectives and purposes of this act;
- (8) undertake any and all other acts or things as may be deemed necessary and convenient by the commission to foster and promote the development of the arts in this state;
- (9) promote employment development within the creative industries; and
- (10) adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this act.

(b) The duties of the commission shall include:

- (1) To stimulate and encourage throughout the state the study and development of the arts, as well as public interest and participation therein;
- (2) to take such steps as may be necessary and appropriate to encourage public interest in the cultural heritage of the state of Kansas and to expand the state's cultural resources;
- (3) to encourage and assist freedom of artistic expression essential for the well-being of the arts;
- (4) to assist the communities and organizations within the state in originating and creating their own cultural and artistic programs;
- (5) to make such surveys as may be deemed advisable of public and private institutions engaged within the state in artistic and cultural activities, including, but not limited to, humanities, music, theater, dance, painting, sculpture, photography, architecture and allied arts and crafts and to make recommendations concerning the appropriate methods to encourage participation in and appreciation of the arts in order to meet the legitimate needs and aspirations of persons in all parts of the state;
- (6) to develop strategies on methods to attract film making enterprises to the state of Kansas; assist the division of business development in the locating and researching of locations for possible use by the movie industry; assist students in Kansas in developing film making skills; provide assistance to movie personnel who utilize Kansas as a location for filming as may be directed by the division; provide support at official hospitality functions for the film industry; participate in trade show and official functions pertaining to the film industry; and assist in the establishment of motion picture ventures and such related matters as the commission deems appropriate;
- (7) to formulate, in cooperation with the state board of education, programs furthering the arts in education, including artists-in-residence programs. Such programs shall be designed to foster a greater understanding and knowledge of the arts, to utilize the arts as an intellectual stimulus, to utilize the arts as an aid in dealing with personal and social adjustment problems or learning disabilities and to facilitate and to improve other academic courses or programs by using the arts as an educational tool and medium. The commission shall disseminate information about such programs. Any board of education or the governing body of any other political subdivision, or any agent or employee thereof, may request information on such programs or request to participate in such programs, and such board of education or governing body may implement such programs with such political subdivision;
- (8) to develop metrics showing the impact of the creative industries on employment development; and
- (9) to submit a report of the commission's recommendations not later than February 1 of each calendar year to the governor, the secretary of commerce and the legislature.

(c) The department of commerce shall provide staff consisting of a director and other assistance as may be required by the commission in the performance of its duties. The secretary of revenue shall provide any datum relevant in measuring the economic outcomes of arts programs to the commission.

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