

**19-5005. Same; appropriation of revenue; remittance; expenditure of funds, purposes and procedures; powers of authority limited, eminent domain; annual report; audit; authority of board of regents unchanged.**

(a) All revenue received by the county treasurer pursuant to this act shall be appropriated by the county to the Johnson county education research triangle authority. The authority shall remit such funds for expenditure in equal shares by designated officials for the Edwards campus of the university of Kansas, the Johnson county location of Kansas state university and the university of Kansas medical center's Johnson county locations. All such funds shall be spent for building construction, academic and research program development and growth, faculty and staff recruitment and retention, and operations and maintenance in support of: (1) The undergraduate and graduate programs at the Edwards campus of the university of Kansas;

(2) the research and education programs in animal health and food safety and security at the Johnson county location of Kansas state university; and

(3) the medical education and life sciences and cancer research programs at the university of Kansas medical center's Johnson county locations.

(b) All such expenditures shall be in compliance with the purposes of this act and shall be certified as such to the authority and to the Kansas state board of regents by appropriate officials at the university of Kansas, Kansas state university and the university of Kansas medical center. Such expenditures shall also comply with the policies of the Kansas state board of regents and applicable state and federal laws.

(c) No more than two percent of funds so collected in any fiscal year shall be used for the administrative expenses of the authority or its board of directors.

(d) The authority shall have no authority to issue bonds or to exercise the power of eminent domain.

(e) The authority shall issue an annual report to the board of regents, the legislature and the board of commissioners of Johnson county.

(f) The authority shall be subject to legislative post audit and audit by the board of commissioners of the Johnson county internal auditor.

(g) Meetings of the board of directors of the authority shall be subject to the Kansas open meetings act and records of the authority and the board shall be subject to the Kansas open records act.

(h) Unless state general fund appropriations for the university of Kansas, Kansas state university, and the university of Kansas medical center are reduced by action of the legislature or the governor, state general fund support of such institutions shall not be reduced below the level of support in effect on the effective date of this act.

(i) The Kansas board of regents shall remain responsible for the governance of these institutions, including approval of any academic programs and the regulation thereof, and shall be responsible to the authority for institutional compliance with the purposes of this act.

**History:** L. 2007, ch. 158, § 5; July 1.