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74-3281. Same; payment of scholarships; certification of enrollment; discontinued attendance of scholar. (a) A Kansas distinguished scholarship may be paid annually for both the fall and spring semesters, or as otherwise specified by the board of regents. Kansas distinguished scholarships shall be paid upon certification by the state educational institution that the distinguished Kansas scholar is enrolled and is qualified. Payments of Kansas distinguished scholarships shall be made upon vouchers approved by the administrative officer of the board of regents designated by the board upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports. Payments of Kansas distinguished scholarships may be made by the issuance of a single warrant to each state educational institution at which a distinguished Kansas scholar is enrolled for the total amount of Kansas distinguished scholarships for all distinguished Kansas scholars enrolled at that institution. The director of accounts and reports shall cause such warrant to be delivered to the state educational institution at which such scholar or scholars are enrolled. Upon receipt of such warrant, the amount thereof shall be credited to the Kansas distinguished scholarship fund of the state educational institution and allocated within the fund to the account of each distinguished Kansas scholar enrolled at that institution. The amount to be credited to the account of each such scholar shall be specified by the board of regents.

(b) If a distinguished Kansas scholar discontinues attendance before the end of any semester, after the state educational institution has received payment under this section, the state educational institution shall debit the account of the scholar by an amount equal to the entire amount which such scholar would otherwise qualify to have refunded, not to exceed the amount credited to the account of the scholar under a Kansas distinguished scholarship for the semester and, if a distinguished Kansas scholar has received payments under any federal program of student assistance in the semester, less an amount equal to the pro rata share of such entire amount which is attributable to the assistance received by the scholar under such federal program or programs.

(c) All amounts debited by a state educational institution under subsection (b) shall be reallocated within the Kansas distinguished scholarship fund of the state educational institution to the account of other distinguished Kansas scholars as specified by the board of regents.

History: L. 1988, ch. 357, § 4; L. 1996, ch. 97, § 4; July 1.