

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE BILL
For House Committee on Water
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AN ACT concerning water; relating to sales and compensating use tax; requiring groundwater management districts to provide certain financial reports to the legislature; distributing a portion of the revenue from the sales and compensating use tax to the state water plan fund; amending K.S.A. 79-3620 and 79-3710 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) Not later than January 31 of each year, the board of each district shall annually submit to the house of representatives standing committee on water, the house of representatives standing committee on agriculture, the senate standing committee on agriculture and natural resources and any other appropriate committees, and any successor committees, a written report on the finances and activities of the district in the calendar year most recently audited. If the most recently audited year is not the previous calendar year, then a draft or unaudited report for the previous calendar year shall also be submitted. Such report shall contain a detailed financial statement and a description of the activities undertaken by the board and shall be prepared according to generally accepted accounting principles. A representative of the board shall appear before the committee upon request.

(b) The financial statement included in the annual report shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

(1) An itemized list of all income and the source from which the income was received, including any grants and interest income earned;

(2) an itemized list of all expenditures by the board; and

(3) an accounting of all assets currently held by the board.

(c) The annual report shall also include a detailed statement that explains how the expenditures by the board served to further the conservation of groundwater, the prevention of economic deterioration and the stabilization of agriculture or otherwise supported implementation of the district's management program.

(d) Failure to timely provide the annual report with the information required by this section shall result in a suspension of the board's authority to make any further expenditures for the calendar year when the report was due, except for costs directly related to completion of the required report.

(e) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to K.S.A. 82a-1020 through 82a-1042, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 79-3620 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3620. (a) All revenue collected or received by the director of taxation from the taxes imposed by this act shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury, less amounts withheld as provided in subsection (b) and amounts credited as provided in subsections (c), (d) and (e), to the credit of the state general fund.

(b) A refund fund, designated as "sales tax refund fund" not to exceed \$100,000 shall be set apart and maintained by the director from sales tax collections and estimated tax collections and held by the state treasurer for prompt payment of all sales tax refunds. Such fund

shall be in such amount, within the limit set by this section, as the director shall determine is necessary to meet current refunding requirements under this act. In the event such fund as established by this section is, at any time, insufficient to provide for the payment of refunds due claimants thereof, the director shall certify the amount of additional funds required to the director of accounts and reports ~~who~~. [The director of accounts and reports](#) shall promptly transfer the required amount from the state general fund to the sales tax refund fund; and notify the state treasurer, who shall make proper entry in the records.

~~(c) (1) On July 1, 2010, the state treasurer shall credit 11.427% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.3%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state highway fund.~~

~~(2) On July 1, 2011, the state treasurer shall credit 11.26% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.3%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state highway fund.~~

~~(3) On July 1, 2012, the state treasurer shall credit 11.233% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.3%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state highway fund.~~

~~(4) On July 1, 2013, the state treasurer shall credit 17.073% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603, and amendments thereto, at the rate of~~

~~6.15%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state highway fund.~~

~~(5) — On July 1, 2015, the state treasurer shall credit 16.226% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.5%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state highway fund.~~

~~(6)~~ On July 1, 2016, and thereafter, the state treasurer shall credit 16.154% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.5%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state highway fund; and

(2) on July 1, 2022, and thereafter, the state treasurer shall credit 1.538% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.5%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state water plan fund.

(d) The state treasurer shall credit all revenue collected or received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603, and amendments thereto, as certified by the director, from taxpayers doing business within that portion of a STAR bond project district occupied by a STAR bond project or taxpayers doing business with such entity financed by a STAR bond project as defined in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 12-17,162, and amendments thereto, that was determined by the secretary of commerce to be of statewide as well as local importance or will create a major tourism area for the state or the project was designated as a STAR bond project as

defined in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 12-17,162, and amendments thereto, to the city bond finance fund, which fund is hereby created. The provisions of this subsection shall expire when the total of all amounts credited hereunder and under K.S.A. 79-3710(d), and amendments thereto, is sufficient to retire the special obligation bonds issued for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of such STAR bond project.

(e) All revenue certified by the director of taxation as having been collected or received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603(c), and amendments thereto, on the sale or furnishing of gas, water, electricity and heat for use or consumption within the intermodal facility district described in this subsection, shall be credited by the state treasurer to the state highway fund. Such revenue may be transferred by the secretary of transportation to the rail service improvement fund pursuant to law. The provisions of this subsection shall take effect upon certification by the secretary of transportation that a notice to proceed has been received for the construction of the improvements within the intermodal facility district, but not later than December 31, 2010, and shall expire when the secretary of revenue determines that the total of all amounts credited hereunder and pursuant to K.S.A. 79-3710(e), and amendments thereto, is equal to \$53,300,000, but not later than December 31, 2045. Thereafter, all revenues shall be collected and distributed in accordance with applicable law. For all tax reporting periods during which the provisions of this subsection are in effect, none of the exemptions contained in K.S.A. 79-3601 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall apply to the sale or furnishing of any gas, water, electricity and heat for use or consumption within the intermodal facility district. As used in this subsection, "intermodal facility district" shall consist of an intermodal transportation area as defined by K.S.A. 12-1770a(oo), and amendments thereto, located in Johnson county within the polygonal-shaped area having Waverly Road as the eastern boundary, 191st Street as the southern

boundary, Four Corners Road as the western boundary, and Highway 56 as the northern boundary, and the polygonal-shaped area having Poplar Road as the eastern boundary, 183rd Street as the southern boundary, Waverly Road as the western boundary, and the BNSF mainline track as the northern boundary, that includes capital investment in an amount exceeding \$150 million for the construction of an intermodal facility to handle the transfer, storage and distribution of freight through railway and trucking operations.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 79-3710 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3710. (a) All revenue collected or received by the director under the provisions of this act shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury, less amounts set apart as provided in subsection (b) and amounts credited as provided in subsection (c), (d) and (e), to the credit of the state general fund.

(b) A revolving fund, designated as "compensating tax refund fund" not to exceed \$10,000 shall be set apart and maintained by the director from compensating tax collections and estimated tax collections and held by the state treasurer for prompt payment of all compensating tax refunds. Such fund shall be in such amount, within the limit set by this section, as the director shall determine is necessary to meet current refunding requirements under this act.

(c) (1) ~~On July 1, 2010, the state treasurer shall credit 11.427% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3703, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.3%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state highway fund.~~

~~(2) — On July 1, 2011, the state treasurer shall credit 11.26% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3703, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.3%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state highway fund.~~

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(2) on July 1, 2022, and thereafter, the state treasurer shall credit 1.538% of the revenue collected and received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3703, and amendments thereto, at the rate of 6.5%, and deposited as provided by subsection (a), exclusive of amounts credited pursuant to subsection (d), in the state water plan fund.

(d) The state treasurer shall credit all revenue collected or received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3703, and amendments thereto, as certified by the director, from taxpayers doing business within that portion of a redevelopment district occupied by a redevelopment project that was determined by the secretary of commerce to be of statewide as well as local importance or will create a major tourism area for the state as defined in K.S.A. 12-1770a, and amendments thereto, to the city bond finance fund created by K.S.A. 79-3620(d), and amendments thereto. The provisions of this subsection shall expire when the total of all amounts credited hereunder and under K.S.A. 79-3620(d), and amendments thereto, is sufficient to retire the special obligation bonds issued for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of such redevelopment project.

This subsection shall not apply to a project designated as a special bond project as defined in K.S.A. 12-1770a(z), and amendments thereto.

(e) All revenue certified by the director of taxation as having been collected or received from the tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-3603(c), and amendments thereto, on the sale or furnishing of gas, water, electricity and heat for use or consumption within the intermodal facility district described in this subsection, shall be credited by the state treasurer to the state highway fund. Such revenue may be transferred by the secretary of transportation to the rail service improvement fund pursuant to law. The provisions of this subsection shall take effect upon

certification by the secretary of transportation that a notice to proceed has been received for the construction of the improvements within the intermodal facility district, but not later than December 31, 2010, and shall expire when the secretary of revenue determines that the total of all amounts credited hereunder and pursuant to K.S.A. 79-3620(e), and amendments thereto, is equal to \$53,300,000, but not later than December 31, 2045. Thereafter, all revenues shall be collected and distributed in accordance with applicable law. For all tax reporting periods during which the provisions of this subsection are in effect, none of the exemptions contained in K.S.A. 79-3601 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall apply to the sale or furnishing of any gas, water, electricity and heat for use or consumption within the intermodal facility district. As used in this subsection, "intermodal facility district" shall consist of an intermodal transportation area as defined by K.S.A. 12-1770a(oo), and amendments thereto, located in Johnson county within the polygonal-shaped area having Waverly Road as the eastern boundary, 191st Street as the southern boundary, Four Corners Road as the western boundary, and Highway 56 as the northern boundary, and the polygonal-shaped area having Poplar Road as the eastern boundary, 183rd Street as the southern boundary, Waverly Road as the western boundary, and the BNSF mainline track as the northern boundary, that includes capital investment in an amount exceeding \$150 million for the construction of an intermodal facility to handle the transfer, storage and distribution of freight through railway and trucking operations.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 79-3620 and 79-3710 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.