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74-3289. Same; payment of scholarships; certification of enrollment; discontinued attendance of scholar. (a) Kansas ethnic minority scholarships may be paid annually for two semesters or the equivalent thereof, and may be allocated equally between the semesters or the equivalent of semesters, or otherwise, as determined by the state board of regents. Kansas ethnic minority scholarships shall be paid at a time or times to be determined by the state board of regents upon certification by an eligible institution that a Kansas ethnic minority scholar is enrolled full time in an educational program. Payments of Kansas ethnic minority scholarships shall be made upon vouchers approved by the administrative officer of the state board of regents designated by the state board and upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports. Payments of Kansas ethnic minority scholarships may be made by the issuance of a single warrant to each eligible institution at which a Kansas ethnic minority scholar is enrolled for the total amount of Kansas ethnic minority scholarships for all Kansas ethnic minority scholars enrolled at that institution. The director of accounts and reports shall cause such warrant to be delivered to the eligible institution at which such scholar or scholars are enrolled. Upon receipt of such warrant, the eligible institution shall credit immediately the account of each Kansas ethnic minority scholar enrolled at that institution by an amount specified by the board of regents for each such scholar.

(b) If a Kansas ethnic minority scholar discontinues attendance before the end of any semester or equivalent thereof, after an eligible institution has received payment under this section, the eligible institution shall pay to the state: (1) The entire amount which such scholar would otherwise qualify to have refunded not to exceed the amount of the payment made under a Kansas ethnic minority scholarship for the semester or equivalent thereof; or (2) if a Kansas ethnic minority scholar has received payments under any federal program of student assistance in the semester, the state's pro rata share of the entire amount which such scholar would otherwise qualify to have refunded, not to exceed the amount of the payment made under a Kansas ethnic minority scholarship for the semester or equivalent thereof.

(c) All amounts paid to the state by an eligible institution under subsection (b) shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the Kansas ethnic minority scholarship discontinued attendance fund, which is hereby created. All expenditures from the Kansas ethnic minority scholarship discontinued attendance fund shall be for Kansas ethnic minority scholarships.

History: L. 1989, ch. 224, § 6; L. 2000, ch. 143, § 5; July 1.