

As Amended by House Committee

Session of 2023

HOUSE BILL No. 2302

By Committee on Water

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1 AN ACT concerning water; relating to funding for the state water plan and
2 water infrastructure projects; creating the water technical assistance
3 fund and water projects grant fund; authorizing the Kansas water office
4 to provide grants from such funds and adopt rules and regulations to
5 establish the criteria for grants from such funds; distributing a portion
6 of the revenue from the sales and compensating use tax to the state
7 water plan fund; amending K.S.A. 82a-951 and K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 79-
8 3620, 79-3710, 79-4804 and 82a-953a and repealing the existing
9 sections.

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

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12 New Section 1. (a) On July 1, 2023, and each July 1 thereafter
13 through July 1, 2028, no transfers to the state water plan fund pursuant to
14 K.S.A. 79-4804 and 82a-953a, and amendments thereto, shall be made if
15 the full amount of sales tax revenue authorized for distribution by K.S.A.
16 79-3620 and 79-3710, and amendments thereto, is transferred to the state
17 water plan fund.

18 (b) (1) The state water plan fund shall continue to be appropriated and
19 expended for the purposes prescribed in K.S.A. 82a-951, and amendments
20 thereto, except that:

21 (A) On July 1, 2023, and each July 1 thereafter through July 1, 2028,
22 or as soon thereafter on such dates as moneys are available:

23 (i) \$5,000,000 shall be transferred from the state water plan fund to
24 the water technical assistance fund established in section 2, and
25 amendments thereto; and

26 (ii) \$15,000,000 shall be transferred from the state water plan fund to
27 the water projects grant fund established in section 3, and amendments
28 thereto; and

29 (B) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, June 30, 2025, and June
30 30, 2026, an amount not less than \$15,000,000 from the state water plan
31 fund shall be applied toward the retirement of any water supply storage
32 debt for Milford and Perry Lake reservoirs until such debt is retired.

33 (2) The appropriation acts required by paragraph (1) shall only be
34 made if the full amount of sales tax revenue authorized for distribution by
35 K.S.A. 79-3620 and 79-3710, and amendments thereto, is transferred to
36 the state water plan fund.

; and
(C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, through the fiscal
year ending June 30, 2029, priority for use of funds collected
pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-954(a)(3), and amendments thereto, and
remitted to the state water plan fund pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-951,
and amendments thereto, shall be for stockwatering conservation
projects. The type and scope of such stockwatering conservation
projects shall be identified by the office in the formulation of the
state water plan fund pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-903, and
amendments thereto