

SESSION OF 2023

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 203**

As Amended by Senate Committee on Ways  
and Means

**Brief\***

SB 203, as amended, would enact the Kansas Campus Restoration Act (Act) for the purpose of reducing deferred maintenance of facilities at state postsecondary educational institutions. This bill would transfer \$240.0 million from the State General Fund (SGF) to the Kansas Campus Restoration Fund (Fund). Expenditures from the Fund would be subject to a dollar-for-dollar match from non-state moneys. The bill also would transfer \$100,000 per year for 12 years to Kansas community colleges, technical colleges, and Washburn University from the Fund. These transfers would not be subject to a dollar-for-dollar match. The Kansas Campus Restoration Fund would retain its own interest.

Each postsecondary institution would be required to develop and submit to the State Board of Regents (Board) a plan to rehabilitate, remodel, or renovate existing facilities or build new facilities that are educational mission-critical and to bring the facilities to a state of good repair. The Board of Regents would be required to:

- Approve each institution's plan;
- Develop a comprehensive Kansas Campus Restoration Plan that includes facilities from each institution's Board-approved plan;
- Ensure that facilities located on the Kansas State University Polytechnic Campus in Salina and the

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\*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

University of Kansas Edwards Campus in Overland Park are not excluded from direct participation in the plan;

- Encourage or require a reduction of total campus square footage in a project associated with the plan;
- Develop and approve a formula for the distribution of funds from the Fund in accordance with the plan; and
- Submit an annual report on or before the first day of the regular session of the Legislature on the progress of the plan to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, the House Committee on Appropriations, the House Committee on Higher Education Budget, and the Joint Committee on State Building Construction.

The bill would authorize the Board of Regents to adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement and administer the provisions of the Act.

The provisions of the bill would expire on July 1, 2036.

## **Background**

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Ways and Means at the request of Senator Billinger.

### ***Senate Committee on Ways and Means***

In the Senate Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by representatives of the American Council of Engineering Companies and the State Board of Regents. The proponents stated the need for resolution of back-logged maintenance on state university buildings that are in mission-critical condition. Proponents stated that this bill would

provide resources to the universities to address the issue of deferred maintenance strategically.

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by a representative of the American Council of Engineering Companies.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to:

- Change each instance of the term “state educational institution” to “postsecondary educational institution”;
- Change the transferred amount from \$350.0 million to \$240.0 million;
- Transfer \$100,000 per year from the Fund to each community college, technical college, and Washburn University starting in FY 2025. Such transfers would not be subject to the dollar-for-dollar match requirement, and
- Make technical changes.

### **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill as introduced, the Fund would be administered by the Board with a one-time transfer of \$350.0 million from the SGF. [Note: The Senate Committee amended that amount.] The Board indicates additional time will be spent developing, administering, and reporting on the new program, which would require an additional \$105,517 from the SGF for salaries and wages.

Deferred maintenance; campus restoration; educational institutions; postsecondary institutions.