Approved: February 20, 2007

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#### MINUTES OF THE HOUSE GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Morrison at 3:32 P.M. on February 19, 2007, in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except Representatives Tafanelli, Frownfelter, and Sloan, all of whom were excused.

# Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research Department Tatiana Lin, Kansas Legislative Research Department Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department Renae Jefferies, Office of Revisor of Statutes Gary Deeter, Committee Assistant

### Conferees appearing before the committee:

Martin Eckhardt, Director, Central Accounting Services, Division of Accounts and Reports, Kansas Department of Administration

Duncan Friend, Project Manager, Financial Management System, Division of Information Systems and Communications, Kansas Department of Administration

## Others attending:

See attached list.

<u>The minutes for the February 14 and February 15 meetings were approved.</u> (Motion, Representative Loganbill; second, Representative Siegfreid)

The Committee continued discussion of **HB 2457** -creating the Kansas transparency act.

Martin Eckhardt, Director, Central Accounting Services, Division of Accounts and Reports, Kansas Department of Administration (DofA), reviewed the department's suggested amendments to the bill. He stated that based on Committee discussion, he considered what could be provided through the present state financial system (STARS), commenting that Attachment 1 represents what can be done to begin implementing the bill. He explained various changes from the original bill, noting deletions such as keyword searching and downloading data, replaced with efficiently search and display, saying the intent is to give DofA flexibility in providing the available information. Answering a question, he said the amendments envision the website starting with data from FY 2002 and going forward with no limit on the amount of data, but spanning 10 years, so that at the 11th year, the first year's data will drop off. He said the implementation date was changed from January 1 to March 1, 2008, and that the new fiscal year's data will become available 90 days (rather than 30 days) after the close of the preceding fiscal year.

Answering questions, Mr. Eckhardt replied that the expenditures include federal funds and state payments to unified school districts. Acknowledging a member's comment that school payments are out of sync with the fiscal year, the Chairman commented that <u>HB 2175</u> addresses that issue. Mr. Eckhardt replied to

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another question that the local option budget information is already on the State Department of Education website and that STARS captures the monthly payments to USDs.

Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department, reviewed amendments to the DofA balloon and explained additions to that version added at the direction of the Chair, noting that all of the DofA changes were in black, orange, and magenta and that the green text indicates the Chair's directed additions (Attachment 2). He explained that the new additions would create a public finance transparency board modeled after Information Network of Kansas board. He said the Secretary of Administration will have sole authority of the website and control its content; the proposed new amendments create the advisory board and, anticipating the new statewide accounting and reporting system (Financial Management System, or FMS), include other data sources. He noted a clause that acknowledges the limitations of current information and allows implementation of the website without having to meet requirements that would be impossible to meet with only current data. Mr. Efird noted that STARS reflects only funds in the State Treasury, observing that other state financial activity occurs outside the State Treasury: bonded debt issued by the Kansas Development Finance Authority and Kansas Turnpike Authority, which are of interest to citizens and the legislature, even though outside the appropriations process.

Mr. Efird continued by commenting on the definition of an agency as reflected in **K.S.A.** 75-3701(3), which spans the range from the Kansas Department of Revenue to the Kansas Board of Barber Examiners. He noted the types of expenditures, which include such things as contractual services, commodities, debt service, grants, donations, and aid to local units of government. Answering a question, he replied that most state agency information is public, but not available unless a person makes a specific request for specific information, such as salary information in SHARP, or bonded indebtedness from the Kansas Development Finance Authority. He said the proposed amendments will, as information becomes available, allow additional data to be added. He commented that the details of revenues and expenditures mirror categories in the financial system, enabling agencies to more easily provide data.

Mr. Efird said the proposed amendments change the maximum span of years for available data to not less than 10 years to allow retention of data beyond 10 years, further changing the time for the previous year's data to be available to 45 days after the end of the preceding fiscal year. He commented on the membership of the proposed advisory board and the requirement of the Secretary of Administration to consult with the board. Answering questions, Mr. Efird said the waiver clause protects the Secretary from having to do the impossible.

Mr. Eckhardt commented on the additions, saying that they specify in more detail what the DofA understood in general terms, commenting that the general concepts provide more flexibility for the Secretary. Answering a question, he said salary information would be public, but not benefits. To another question, he said STARS cannot provide details, only aggregate information, since the object codes offer no further specificity; however, with the FMS, detailed information could be made accessible.

Duncan Friend, Project Manager, Financial Management System, Division of Information Systems and

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Communications, Kansas Department of Administration, elaborated on the request for details, explaining that initial implementation of the bill must begin at a high level with limited access to details, since the transaction level would run into the hundreds of thousands. The Chairman concurred, acknowledging that the website must be built incrementally.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

# HOUSE GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

# **GUEST LIST**

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AN ACT relating to public finance; creating the Kansas taxpayer transparency act; defining terms; requiring the secretary of administration to develop and operate a specified website; enumerating information which shall be made available on such website; establishing a time period covered for information on such website; requiring specified agencies to provide certain information. providing for nondisclosure of certain information amending K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-5133 and repealing the existing section.

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

New Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the Kansas taxpayer transparency act.

New Sec. 2. (a) As used in the Kansas taxpayer transparency act:

- (1) "Searchable website" means a website that allows the public to search and aggregate the information identified in subsection (b). Such term shall include requirements that the website offer the public the ability to perform keyword searching, download data, ascertain the total amount of funds awarded to an entity through a single search and provide feedback and recommendations regarding the utility of the website. Such term shall not include any website that provides, as a search result, any hyperlink to another state of Kansas government website that cannot be searched electronically by field in a single search.
- (2) "Expenditure of state funds" means the expenditure of all appropriated or nonappropriated funds by a state entity from the state treasury in forms including, but not limited to:
- (A) Grants;
- 39 (B) contracts;
- 40 (C) subcontracts;
- 41 (D) tax refunds, rebates or credits, excluding those which result from 42 the overpayment of income tax pursuant to K.S.A. 79-1701 and 79-1792

and K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 79-1705, and amendments thereto,

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(E) payments made under the Kansas investments in major projects and comprehensive training act, K.S.A. 74-50,102 et seq., and amendments thereto; and (F) expenditures pursuant to any compact between the Governor and a federally recognized Indian tribe or nation in this state. (3) "Expenditure of state funds" shall not mean the transfer of funds between two state agencies or payments of state or federal assistance to an individual. (b) No later than [fanuary] 2008, the secretary of administration shall develop and operate a single, searchable website accessible by the public at no cost to access, that includes: 11 For each expenditure, information including, but not limited to: 12 (A) The name and principal location or residence of the entity or 13 recipient, or both, of the funds; 14 (B) the amount of state funds expended; 15 (C) the type of transaction; 16 (D) the funding or expending agency; 17 (E) the budget program source; 18 a descriptive purpose of the funding action or expenditure; and 19 any other relevant information specified by the secretary of 20 21 administration: the complete contents of the tax expenditure information or re-22 port prepared by the department of revenue; (3) visual representations, in graph form organized by function of government, of state general fund expenditures and all fund expenditures for any fiscal year searched, which shall be accessible as hyperlinks from 26 any page providing a search result; and (4) a hyperlink to a website displaying the CPI (urban), which shall 28 be displayed on any page providing a search result. (c) The single website provided for in subsection (b) of this section 30 shall include data for the fiscal year 2002 and each fiscal year thereafter. Such data shall be available on the single website no later than Adays after the last day of the preceding fiscal year. (d) The department, of revenue, state treasurer and any other state 34 agency shall provide to the secretary of administration such information as is necessary to accomplish the purposes of this act. (e) Nothing in this act shall permit or require the disclosure of in-37 formation which is considered confidential by state or federal law. Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-5133 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-5133. (a) Except as otherwise more specifically provided by

law, all information received by the secretary of revenue, the director of taxation or the director of alcoholic beverage control from returns, reports, license applications or registration documents made or filed under

(2) "Agency" shall mean any entity or instrumentality of the state of Kansas which stores, gathers or generates public information.

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(1) Annual expenditures which shall include, but not be limited to, disbursements by any state agency from funds within the state treasury as determined by the secretary of administration and available within the central accounting system;

(2) annual revenues which shall include, but not be limited to, receipts or deposits by any state agency into funds within the state treasury as determined by the secretary of administration and available within the central accounting system; and

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Such data shall be retained on the single website for a maximum of ten years and shall include data for the most current fiscal years.

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The provisions of any law imposing any sales, use or other excise tax administered by the secretary of revenue, the director of taxation, or the director of alcoholic beverage control, or from any investigation conducted under such provisions, shall be confidential, and it shall be unlawful for any officer or employee of the department of revenue to divulge any such information except in accordance with other provisions of law respecting the enforcement and collection of such tax, in accordance with proper judicial order or as provided in K.S.A. 74-2424, and amendments thereto.

(b) The secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee may:

 (1) Publish statistics, so classified as to prevent identification of particular reports or returns and the items thereof;

(2) allow the inspection of returns by the attorney general or the attorney general's designee;

(3) provide the post auditor access to all such excise tax reports or returns in accordance with and subject to the provisions of subsection (g) of K.S.A. 46-1106, and amendments thereto:

(4) disclose taxpayer information from excise tax returns to persons or entities contracting with the secretary of revenue where the secretary has determined disclosure of such information is essential for completion of the contract and has taken appropriate steps to preserve confidentiality;

(5) provide information from returns and reports filed under article 42 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, to county appraisers as is necessary to insure proper valuations of property. Information from such returns and reports may also be exchanged with any other state agency administering and collecting conservation or other taxes and fees imposed on or measured by mineral production;

(6) provide, upon request by a city or county clerk or treasurer or finance officer of any city or county receiving distributions from a local excise tax, monthly reports identifying each retailer doing business in such city or county or making taxable sales sourced to such city or county, setting forth the tax liability and the amount of such tax remitted by each retailer during the preceding month, and identifying each business location maintained by the retailer and such retailer's sales of use tax registration or account number;

(7) provide information from returns and applications for registration filed pursuant to K.S.A. 12-187, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 79-3601, and amendments thereto, to a city or county treasurer or clerk or finance officer to explain the basis of statistics contained in reports provided by subsection (b)(6);

(8) disclose the following oil and gas production statistics received by the department of revenue in accordance with K.S.A. 79-4216 et seq.

and amendments thereto: Volumes of production by well name, well number, operator's name and identification number assigned by the state corporation commission, lease name, leasehold property description, county of production or zone of production, name of purchaser and purchaser's tax identification number assigned by the department of revenue, name of transporter, field code number or lease code, tax period, exempt production volumes by well name or lease, or any combination of this information.

(9) release or publish liquor brand registration information provided by suppliers, farm wineries and microbreweries in accordance with the liquor control act. The information to be released is limited to: Item number, universal numeric code, type status, product description, alcohol percentage, selling units, unit size, unit of measurement, supplier number, supplier name, distributor number and distributor name;

(10) release or publish liquor license information provided by liquor licensees, distributors, suppliers, farm wineries and microbreweries in accordance with the liquor control act. The information to be released is limited to: County name, owner, business name, address, license type, license number, license expiration date and the process agent contact information;

(11) release or publish cigarette and tobacco license information obtained from cigarette and tobacco licensees in accordance with the Kansas cigarette and tobacco products act. The information to be released is limited to: County name, owner, business name, address, license type and license number;

(12) provide environmental surcharge or solvent fee, or both, information from returns and applications for registration filed pursuant to K.S.A. 65-34,150 and 65-34,151, and amendments thereto, to the secretary of health and environment or the secretary's designee for the sole purpose of ensuring that retailers collect the environmental surcharge tax or solvent fee, or both;

(13) provide water protection fee information from returns and applications for registration filed pursuant to K.S.A. 82a 954, and amendments thereto, to the secretary of the state board of agriculture or the secretary's designee and the secretary of the Kansas water office or the secretary's designee for the sole purpose of verifying revenues deposited to the state water plan fund;

(14) provide to the secretary of commerce copies of applications for project exemption certificates sought by any taxpayer under the enterprise zone sales tax exemption pursuant to subsection (cc) of K.S.A. 79-3606, and amendments thereto;

2 (15) disclose information received pursuant to the Kansas cigarette 3 and tobacco act and subject to the confidentiality provisions of this act to Fany criminal justice agency, as defined in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 22-4761, and amendments thereto, or to any law enforcement officer, as defined in subsection (c)(10) of K.S.A. 21-3110, and amendments thereto, on behalf of a criminal justice agency, when requested in writing in conjunction with a pending investigation; and

(16) provide to retailers tax exemption information for the sole purpose of verifying the authenticity of tax exemption numbers issued by the

department.

(c) The secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee shall disclose specific information as required by subsections (b) and (d) of section 1, and amendments thereto.

(d) Any person receiving any information under the provisions of subsection (b) shall be subject to the confidentiality provisions of subsection

(a) and to the penalty provisions of subsection (d) (e).

- (d) (e) Any violation of this section shall be a class A, nonperson misdemeanor, and if the offender is an officer or employee of this state, such officer or employee shall be dismissed from office. In addition to any term of imprisonment, the offender shall be fined not less than \$1,500. Reports of violations of this paragraph section shall be investigated by the attorney general. The district attorney or county attorney and the attorney general shall have authority to prosecute any violation of this section if the offender is a city or county clerk or treasurer or finance officer of a city or county.
  - Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-5133 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. En This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

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# **HOUSE BILL No. 2457**

(Revisions Proposed by the Department of Administration And subsequently modified at Rep. Morrison's direction)

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By Representatives Kelley, Beamer, Bowers, Brunk, Burgess, Dahl, Donohoe, George, Goico, Gordon, Grange, Hayzlett, Huntington, Kelsey, Kiegerl, King, Kinzer, Landwehr, Mast, Masterson, Merrick, Metsker, Judy Morrison, Jim Morrison, O'Neal, Otto, Peck, Rhoades, Siegfreid, Swanson, Vickrey, Watkins, K. Wolf and Yoder

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to another state of Kansas government website that cannot be searched electronically by field in a single search.

(2) "Expenditure(s)" of state funds" shall means the expenditure, of by any state agency, from funds within the state treasury as determined by the secretary of administration and available within the central accounting system. all appropriated or nonappropriated funds by a state entity from the state treasury in forms including, but not limited to:

11 (A) Grants:

- 12 (B) contracts;
- 13 (C) subcontracts;
- 14 (D) tax refunds, rebates or credits, excluding those which result from
- the overpayment of income tax pursuant to K.S.A. 79 1701 and 79 1702
- and K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 79 1705, and amendments thereto;
- 17 (E) payments made under the Kansas investments in major projects and
- 18 comprehensive training act, K.S.A. 74 50,102 et seq., and amendments
- 19 thereto; and (F) expenditures pursuant to any compact between the
- 20 Governor and a federally recognized Indian tribe or nation in this state.
- 21 (3) "Expenditure of state funds" shall not mean the transfer of funds
  22 between two state agencies or payments of state or federal assistance to
- 23 an individual.
  - (3) "Revenue(s)" shall mean revenue for any state agency for funds within the state treasury as determined by the secretary of administration and available within the central accounting system.

(2) (4) "Agency" shall mean any agency entity or instrumentality of the state of Kansas which stores, gathers or generates public information as defined in K.S.A. 75-3701(3) and amendments thereto, and any other entity or instrumentality delegated statutory authority by the legislature to issue bonds and to collect revenue for the purpose of repaying bonds issued under authority delegated by statute.

(b) No later than January March 1, 2008, the secretary of administration shall develop and operate a single, searchable website accessible by the public at no cost to access, that includes:

(1) Annual expenditures which shall include, but not be limited to, disbursements by any state agency from funds established within the state treasury, compensation paid to public employees, and bond debt payments, as determined by the secretary of administration and available within the central accounting system, the state payroll system,

and any other source of information available to the secretary of administration, including information submitted by state agencies pursuant to new sec. 2(d) in this act.

Expenditures shall include but not be limited to:

- (a) <u>salaries and wages</u>, including but not limited to compensation paid to individual employees of state agencies;
- (b) <u>contractual services</u>, <u>including but not limited to amounts paid to individual vendors</u>;
- (c) <u>commodities</u>, <u>including but not limited to amounts paid to</u> individual vendors;
- (d) <u>capital outlay</u>, <u>including but not limited to amounts paid to</u> individual vendors;
- (e) debt service, including but not limited to amounts of bond interest paid and sources of funds paid for individual bond issues;
- (f) aid to local units, including but not limited to amounts paid to individual units of government for individually identifiable aid programs;
- (g) other assistance and benefits; and
- (h) capital improvements, including but not limited to amounts of bond principal paid and sources of funds paid for individual bond issues.

(2) Annual revenues which shall include, but not be limited to, receipts or deposits by any state agency into funds established within the state treasury as determined by the secretary of administration and available within the central accounting system and any other source of information available to the secretary of administration, including information submitted by state agencies pursuant to new sec. 2(d) in this act.

Revenue shall include but not be limited to:

2 imposed by the state for the purpose of financing services; 3 4 (b) agency earnings, including but not limited to amounts 5 collected by each agency for merchandise sold, services 6 performed, licenses and permits issued, or regulation; 7 8 (c) revenue for the use of money and property, including but not 9 limited to amounts received for compensation of the use of 10 state owned money and property; 11 (d) gifts, donations and federal grants, including but not limited 12 to amounts received from public and private entities to aid in 13 support of a specific function or other governmental activity; 14 15 16 (e) other revenue, including but not limited to receipts not 17 classified elsewhere; and 18 19 (f) non-revenue receipts, including but not limited to all receipts 20 that do not constitute revenue. 21 22 (3) Annual bonded indebtedness which shall include, but not be limited to, the amount of the total original obligation stated in terms of principal 23 24 and interest, the term of the obligation, the source of funding for 25 repayment of the obligation, the amounts of principal and interest 26 previously paid to reduce the obligation, the balance remaining of the obligation, any refinancing of the obligation, and the cited statutory 27 28 authority to issue such bonds. 29 30 31 For each expenditure, information including, but not limited to: 32 (A) The name and principal location or residence of the entity or 33 recipient, or both, of the funds; (B) the amount of state funds expended; 34 (C) the type of transaction; 35 36 (D) the funding or expending agency; 37 (E) the budget program source; (F) a descriptive purpose of the funding action or expenditure; and 38 39 40 (3)(G) (4) A-a ny other relevant information specified by the secretary 41 of administration after consulting with and seeking the advice of the

public finance transparency board as herein established.

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(2) the complete contents of the tax expenditure information or report prepared by the department of revenue;

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(3) visual representations, in graph form organized by function of government, of state general fund expenditures and all fund expenditures for any fiscal year searched, which shall be accessible as hyperlinks from any page providing a search result; and

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(c) The single website provided for in subsection (b) of this section shall include data for the fiscal year 2002 and each fiscal year thereafter. Such data shall be retained on the single website for a maximum of not less than ten years and shall include data for the most eurrent recent fiscal years. Such data shall be available on the single website as soon as possible, but no later than 45 90 30 days after the last day of the preceding fiscal year. Nothing in this act shall require the secretary of administration to provide information on the website that is not available at the time of initial implementation of the website in the central accounting system, state payroll system, or any other source of information available to the secretary of administration. implementation of the initial website, the secretary of administration shall periodically consult and seek advice of the public finance transparency board about incorporating additional information prescribed by this act into the website, but which is not available upon initial implementation of the website.

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(d) The department of revenue, state treasurer and a Any other state agency shall provide, to at the request of the secretary of administration, such information as is necessary to accomplish the purposes of this act.

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(e) Nothing in this act shall permit or require the disclosure of information which is considered confidential by state or federal law.

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New Sec. 3. (a) There is hereby created the public finance transparency board for the purpose of advising and consulting with the secretary of administration on the content, format and reports to be produced on the website.

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(b) The board shall consist of 10 members as follows:

1 (1) The secretary of administration, who shall serve as chairperson 2 of the board: 3 (2) the director of accounts and reports; 4 (3) two members who are chief executive officers of agencies of 5 the executive branch, appointed by the governor, who shall serve at the 6 pleasure of the governor; 7 (4) one member appointed by the governor from the general public; 8 (5) four members of the legislature, one appointed by the president 9 of the senate, one appointed by the minority leader of the senate, one 10 appointed by the speaker of the house, and one appointed by the 11 minority leader of the house, all of whom shall serve at the please of the appointing official; and 12 13 (6) the legislative post auditor. 14 (c) The board shall annually elect one member from the board as vice-15 chairperson and another as secretary. 16 (d) Five members of the board shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of five members shall be necessary for any action taken 17 by the board. No vacancy in the membership of the board shall impair 18 19 the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties 20 of the board. 21 (e) In order to achieve its purpose as provided in this act, the board 22 shall: 23 (1) Serve in an advisory capacity to the secretary of administration, 24 who shall from time to time consult with and seek the advice of the 25 board on matters related to the further development of the website, 26 expansion of the content of information for the website, and new reports 27 to be generated on the website to assist the public in accessing public 28 information. 29 (2) seek advice from the general public, professional associations, academic groups and institutions and individuals with knowledge of and 30

interest in areas of public information access, gateway services, add-on

services and electronic information; and

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- 1 (3) meet at least twice during each fiscal year on the call of the
- 2 secretary of administration who shall set the agenda for such meetings,
- 3 which shall include a report on the progress in implementing and
- 4 developing the website, proposed enhancements to the website in terms
- 5 of content, format, and reports, and other matters as deemed appropriate
- 6 by the secretary of administration.
- 7 (e) All state agencies shall cooperate with the board in providing such
- 8 assistance as may be requested for the achievement of its purpose.
- 9 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75 5133 is hereby amended to read as
- 10 follows: 75 5133. (a) Except as otherwise more specifically provided by
- 11 law, all information received by the secretary of revenue, the director of
- 12 taxation or the director of alcoholic beverage control from returns,
- 13 reports, license applications or registration documents made or filed
- 14 under the provisions of any law imposing any sales, use or other excise
- 15 tax administered by the secretary of revenue, the director of taxation, or
- the director of alcoholic beverage control, or from any investigation
- 17 conducted under such provisions, shall be confidential, and it shall be
- 18 unlawful for any officer or employee of the department of revenue to
- 19 divulge any such information except in accordance with other
- 20 provisions of law respecting the enforcement and collection of such tax,
- 21 in accordance with proper judicial order or as provided in K.S.A. 74
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- 22 2424, and amendments thereto.
- 23 (b) The secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee may:
- 24 (1) Publish statistics, so classified as to prevent identification of
- 25 particular reports or returns and the items thereof;
- 26 (2) allow the inspection of returns by the attorney general or the
- 27 attorney general's designee;
- 28 (3) provide the post auditor access to all such excise tax reports or
- 29 returns in accordance with and subject to the provisions of subsection
- 30 (g) of K.S.A. 46 1106, and amendments thereto;
- 31 (4) disclose taxpayer information from excise tax returns to persons or
- 32 entities contracting with the secretary of revenue where the secretary
- 33 has determined disclosure of such information is essential for
- 34 completion of the contract and has taken appropriate steps to preserve
- 35 confidentiality;
- 36 (5) provide information from returns and reports filed under article 42
- 37 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments
- 38 thereto, to county appraisers as is necessary to insure proper valuations
- 39 of property. Information from such returns and reports may also be
- 40 exchanged with any other state agency administering and collecting

- 1 conservation or other taxes and fees imposed on or measured by mineral 2 production;
- 3 (6) provide, upon request by a city or county clerk or treasurer or 4 finance officer of any city or county receiving distributions from a local
- 5 excise tax, monthly reports identifying each retailer doing business in
- 6 such city or county or making taxable sales sourced to such city or
- 7 county, setting forth the tax liability and the amount of such tax remitted
- 8 by each retailer during the preceding month, and identifying each
- 9 business location maintained by the retailer and such retailer's sales or
- 10 use tax registration or account number;
- 11 (7) provide information from returns and applications for registration
- 12 filed pursuant to K.S.A. 12 187, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A.
- 79 3601, and amendments thereto, to a city or county treasurer or clerk 13
- 14 or finance officer to explain the basis of statistics contained in reports
- 15 provided by subsection (b)(6);
- (8) disclose the following oil and gas production statistics received by 16
- 17 the department of revenue in accordance with K.S.A. 79 4216 et
- 18 seq., and amendments thereto: Volumes of production by well name,
- 19 well number, operator's name and identification number assigned by the
- 20 state corporation commission, lease name, leasehold property
- 21 description, county of production or zone of production, name of
- 22 purchaser and purchaser's tax identification number assigned by the
- department of revenue, name of transporter, field code number or lease 23
- 24 code, tax period, exempt production volumes by well name or lease, or
- 25 any combination of this information;
- 26 (9) release or publish liquor brand registration information provided by
- 27 suppliers, farm wineries and microbreweries in accordance with the
- 28 liquor control act. The information to be released is limited to: Item
- 29 number, universal numeric code, type status, product description,
- 30 alcohol percentage, selling units, unit size, unit of measurement, 31
  - supplier number, supplier name, distributor number and distributor
- 32 name;
- 33 (10) release or publish liquor license information provided by liquor
- 34 licensees, distributors, suppliers, farm wineries and microbreweries in
- 35 accordance with the liquor control act. The information to be released is
- 36 limited to: County name, owner, business name, address, license type,
- 37 license number, license expiration date and the process agent contact
- 38 information;
- 39 (11) release or publish cigarette and tobacco license information
- 40 obtained from cigarette and tobacco licensees in accordance with the
- Kansas cigarette and tobacco products act. The information to be 41
- 42 released is limited to: County name, owner, business name, address,
- 43 license type and license number;

- 1 (12) provide environmental surcharge or solvent fee, or both,
- 2 information from returns and applications for registration filed pursuant
- 3 to K.S.A. 65 34,150 and 65 34,151, and amendments thereto, to the
- 4 secretary of health and environment or the secretary's designee for the
- 5 sole purpose of ensuring that retailers collect the environmental
- 6 surcharge tax or solvent fee, or both;
- 7 (13) provide water protection fee information from returns and
- 8 applications for registration filed pursuant to K.S.A. 82a 954, and
- 9 amendments thereto, to the secretary of the state board of agriculture or
- the secretary's designee and the secretary of the Kansas water office or 10
- the secretary's designee for the sole purpose of verifying revenues 11
- 12 deposited to the state water plan fund;
- 13 (14) provide to the secretary of commerce copies of applications for
- 14 project exemption certificates sought by any taxpayer under the
- 15 enterprise zone sales tax exemption pursuant to subsection (cc) of
- K.S.A. 79 16
- 3606, and amendments thereto; 17
- 18 (15) disclose information received pursuant to the Kansas cigarette and
- 19 tobacco act and subject to the confidentiality provisions of this act to
- 20 any criminal justice agency, as defined in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 22
- 21 4701, and amendments thereto, or to any law enforcement officer, as
- 22 defined in subsection (c)(10) of K.S.A. 21 3110, and amendments
- thereto, on behalf of a criminal justice agency, when requested in 23
- 24 writing in conjunction with a pending investigation; and
- 25 (16) provide to retailers tax exemption information for the sole purpose
- 26 of verifying the authenticity of tax exemption numbers issued by the
- 27 department.
- 28 (c) The secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee shall disclose
- 29 specific information as required by subsections (b) and (d) of section 1,
- 30 and amendments thereto.
- 31 (d) Any person receiving any information under the provisions of
- 32 subsection (b) shall be subject to the confidentiality provisions of
- 33 subsection (a) and to the penalty provisions of subsection (d) (e).
- 34 (d) (e) Any violation of this section shall be a class A, nonperson
- 35 misdemeanor, and if the offender is an officer or employee of this state,
- 36 such officer or employee shall be dismissed from office. In addition to
- 37 any term of imprisonment, the offender shall be fined not less than
- 38 \$1,500. Reports of violations of this paragraph section shall be
- 39 investigated by the attorney general. The district attorney or county
- 40 attorney and the attorney general shall have authority to prosecute any
- 41 violation of this section if the offender is a city or county clerk or
- 42 treasurer or finance officer of a city or county.
- 43 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75 5133 is hereby repealed.

- Sec. 5-4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 3 publication in the statute book.