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75-4330. Memorandum agreements, limitations; grievance procedures; arbitration; judicial review. (a) The scope of a memorandum of agreement may extend to all matters relating to conditions of employment, except proposals relating to (1) any subject preempted by federal or state law or by a municipal ordinance passed under the provisions of section 5 of article 12 of the Kansas constitution; (2) public employee rights defined in K.S.A. 75-4324, and amendments thereto; (3) public employer rights defined in K.S.A. 75-4326, and amendments thereto; or (4) the authority and power of any civil service commission, personnel board, personnel agency or its agents established by statute, ordinance or special act to conduct and grade merit examinations and to rate candidates in the order of their relative excellence, from which appointments or promotions may be made to positions in the competitive division of the classified service of the public employer served by such civil service commission or personnel board. Any memorandum of agreement relating to conditions of employment entered into may be executed for a maximum period of three years, notwithstanding the provisions of the cash-basis law contained in K.S.A. 10-1102 et seq., and amendments thereto, and the budget law contained in K.S.A. 79-2925 et seq., and amendments thereto.

(b) Such memorandum agreement may contain a grievance procedure and may provide for the impartial arbitration of any disputes that arise on the interpretation of the memorandum agreement. Such arbitration shall be advisory or final and binding, as determined by the agreement, and may provide for the use of a fact-finding board. The public employee relations board is authorized to establish rules for procedure of arbitration in the event the agreement has not established such rules. In the absence of arbitrary and capricious rulings by the fact-finding board during arbitration, the decision of that board shall be final. Judicial review shall be in accordance with the Kansas judicial review act.

(c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section and the act of which this section is a part, when a memorandum of agreement applies to the state or to any state agency, the memorandum of agreement shall not be effective as to any matter requiring passage of legislation or state finance council approval, until approved as provided in this subsection. When executed, each memorandum of agreement shall be submitted to the state finance council. Any part or parts of a memorandum of agreement which relate to a matter which can be implemented by amendment of rules and regulations of the secretary of administration or by amendment of the pay plan and pay schedules of the state may be approved or rejected by the state finance council, and if approved, shall thereupon be implemented by it to become effective at such time or times as it specifies. Any part or parts of a memorandum of agreement which require passage of legislation for the implementation thereof shall be submitted to the legislature at its next regular session, and if approved by the legislature shall become effective on a date specified by the legislature. History: L. 1971, ch. 264, § 10; L. 1972, ch. 340, § 2; L. 1986, ch. 318, § 138; L. 2010, ch. 17, § 201; July 1.