76-12a08. Special projects; acceptance of grants; receipt and expenditure of moneys; personnel appointments; salaries. (a) Whenever any money is granted or given by any person, firm, corporation or association, or by the United States or any department, instrumentality or agency thereof, to any institution, the state, the secretary or the division of mental health and developmental disabilities, which money is granted or given for a specific use or purpose, the secretary, the institution, the state or the division of mental health and developmental disabilities, may accept or reject any such grant or gift and may enter into contracts or agreements necessary or expedient to the acceptance or management of the grant or gift. Any grant or gift so accepted and the program therefor shall be known as a special project.

(b) The secretary and superintendent of each institution shall remit all moneys received by or for either of them, for any special project to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the other federal grants and assistance fund of the Kansas department for aging and disability services.

(c) All persons having professional, technical or unusual qualifications employed for any special project, including the director of each special project, shall be appointed by the director or the superintendent of the institution when so designated by the director and shall be in the unclassified service of the Kansas civil service act and shall receive salaries fixed by the secretary and approved by the state finance council. Other special projects personnel shall be in the classified service of the Kansas civil service act.