46-1204. Authority to contract for personal property or services; delegation; limitations; employment of attorneys. The legislative coordinating council shall be authorized to contract for purchases of personal property or services, and in the discretion of such council, the same may be made as provided in K.S.A. 75-3739 and amendments thereto. Such council may delegate such authority to make or contract for such purchases or services, except professional services, to the director of legislative administrative services. No member or committee of the legislature, except the legislative coordinating council, shall be authorized to employ or contract for professional services to be paid from appropriations for legislative expense or from appropriations to the legislative coordinating council. The legislative coordinating council may employ by contract and direct one or more attorneys, who are approved by a vote of 3/4 of the members of the legislative coordinating council, to represent the legislature, either house thereof, the legislative coordinating council, any legislator, any officer or employee of the legislative branch or any combination of the foregoing, and any such attorney shall be paid from appropriations for legislative expense. No contract made under authority of this section shall require approval under any other statute. Commencing in the fiscal year that commenced in calendar year 1995 and at least once every six years thereafter, the legislative coordinating council shall employ by contract and direct an independent actuary, approved by a vote of 3/4 of the members of the legislative coordinating council, to conduct an actuarial audit and evaluation for the purposes enumerated by K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 74-4908a and amendments thereto. Such actuarial audit and evaluation shall be paid from appropriations for legislative expense or from appropriations to the legislative coordinating council.

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