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HOUSE BILL No. 2959

By Committee on Utilities

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AN ACT amending the open records act concerning the disclosure of information; relating to open records; pertaining to certain consulting contracts; amending K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 45-221 and repealing the existing section.

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

New Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2003: (1) No faculty member or other employee of a state educational institution in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil services act, and amendments thereto; or (2) no faculty member or other employee of a postsecondary educational institution shall serve as a consultant or perform consulting services, either individually or as part of a business, unless such person has filed a disclosure statement as required by this section. The disclosure statement shall contain the following information:

- The names of the contracting parties; **(1)**
- whether or not the faculty member has a substantial interest in the consulting business;
- the date that the contract was approved by the institution as determined by the board of regents;
 - the amount of the consideration of the contract;
 - a summary of the basic terms of the contract; and
- any other information required by rules and regulations promulgated by the board of regents.

The information required by paragraphs (1) through (5) shall be disclosed pursuant to any request therefor made under the open records act.

(b) The disclosure statement required by this section, and amendments thereto, shall be filed with the secretary of state and the local information officer of the state educational institution or post-secondary educational institution and such other locations as designated by the board of regents by rule and regulation no later than 10 business days after the contract has been signed by both

parties. Each disclosure statement, and amendments thereto, required by this section shall be available for public inspection, under the provisions of the open records act, during the normal business hours of any office in which it is filed. Disclosure statements required under this section shall be maintained for a period of five years after the faculty member or unclassified employee of a state educational institution or faculty member or employee of a postsecondary educational institution ceases to be employed by such state educational institution or postsecondary educational institution.

- (c) A separate disclosure statement, or amendment of an existing disclosure statement, shall be filed for each consulting business owned, operated or maintained by such faculty member or other unclassified employee in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act, and amendments thereto, of a state educational institution or such faculty member or other employee of a postsecondary educational institution.
- (d) No contract may be divided for the purpose of evading the requirements of this section. All contracts between the same parties during a calendar year shall be treated cumulatively as one contract for the purposes of this section.

New Sec. 2. The statement required by section 1, and amendments thereto, shall be signed and dated by the individual making the statement and shall contain substantially the following:

STATEMENT OF CONSULTING INTERESTS

(name)

(office or position of employment for which this statement is filed) (address) (body of statement, including the information prescribed by section 1 in form prescribed by Kansas board of regents)

"I declare that this statement of substantial interests (including any accompanying schedules and statements) has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete statement of all of my consulting interests and other matters required by law. I understand that intentional failure to file this statement as required by law or intentionally filing a false statement is a class B misdemeanor."

⁽date of filing) (signature of person making the statement)
New Sec. 3. As used in this act: (a) "Board of regents shall have
the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 76-711, and amendments
thereto.

⁽b) "Business" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 46-230 and amendments thereto.

⁽c) "Consultant" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A.

46-284 and amendments thereto. Consultant also includes any corporation, partnership or other business entity in which the individual has a substantial interest.

- (d) "Contract" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 46-231 and amendments thereto.
- (e) "Person" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 46-223 and amendments thereto.
- (f) "Postsecondary educational institution" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto, except that it shall not include public universities as defined in K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto.
- (g) "State educational institution" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 76-711, and amendments thereto.
- (h) "Substantial interest" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 46-229 and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 4. This act shall not apply to any faculty member or other employee of a state educational institution in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act, and amendments thereto or any faculty member or other employee of a postsecondary educational institution:
- (a) Who serves in an adjunct faculty position which is a parttime position which is equivalent to 25% or less of a full-time position;
- (b) whose consulting contract has an annual value of \$500 or less;
- (c) who is a lawyer if disclosure would require revealing the identity of a client or otherwise violate the lawyer-client privilege set forth in K.S.A. 60-426, and amendments thereto; or
- (d) who is a physician if disclosure would require revealing the identity of a patient or otherwise violate the physician-patient privilege set forth in K.S.A. 60-427, and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 5. (a) Failure to file any statement as required by this act or intentionally filing a false statement is a class B misdemeanor.
- (b) Failure to provide access to or a copy of a disclosure statement as required by this act shall be deemed to be a violation of the open records act and shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 45-222 and 45-223 and amendments thereto.
- New Sec. 6. The Kansas board of regents shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement this act on or before January 1, 2003.
- New Sec. 7. Sections 1 through 7, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the university consulting contract sunshine act.

<u>Section 1.</u> **Sec. 8.** K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 45-221 is hereby amended to read as follows: 45-221. (a) Except to the extent disclosure is otherwise required by law, a public agency shall not be required to disclose:

- (1) Records the disclosure of which is specifically prohibited or restricted by federal law, state statute or rule of the Kansas supreme court or the disclosure of which is prohibited or restricted pursuant to specific authorization of federal law, state statute or rule of the Kansas supreme court to restrict or prohibit disclosure.
- (2) Records which are privileged under the rules of evidence, unless the holder of the privilege consents to the disclosure.
- (3) Medical, psychiatric, psychological or alcoholism or drug dependency treatment records which pertain to identifiable patients.
- (4) Personnel records, performance ratings or individually identifiable records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment, except that this exemption shall not apply to the names, positions, salaries and lengths of service of officers and employees of public agencies once they are employed as such.
- (5) Information which would reveal the identity of any undercover agent or any informant reporting a specific violation of law.
- (6) Letters of reference or recommendation pertaining to the character or qualifications of an identifiable individual.
- (7) Library, archive and museum materials contributed by private persons, to the extent of any limitations imposed as conditions of the contribution
- (8) Information which would reveal the identity of an individual who lawfully makes a donation to a public agency, if anonymity of the donor is a condition of the donation.
- (9) Testing and examination materials, before the test or examination is given or if it is to be given again, or records of individual test or examination scores, other than records which show only passage or failure and not specific scores.
- (10) Criminal investigation records, except that the district court, in an action brought pursuant to K.S.A. 45-222, and amendments thereto, may order disclosure of such records, subject to such conditions as the court may impose, if the court finds that disclosure:
 - (A) Is in the public interest;
 - (B) would not interfere with any prospective law enforcement action;
- (C) would not reveal the identity of any confidential source or undercover agent;
- (D) would not reveal confidential investigative techniques or procedures not known to the general public;
 - (E) would not endanger the life or physical safety of any person; and
 - (F) would not reveal the name, address, phone number or any other

information which specifically and individually identifies the victim of any sexual offense in article 35 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

- (11) Records of agencies involved in administrative adjudication or civil litigation, compiled in the process of detecting or investigating violations of civil law or administrative rules and regulations, if disclosure would interfere with a prospective administrative adjudication or civil litigation or reveal the identity of a confidential source or undercover agent.
- (12) Records of emergency or security information or procedures of a public agency, or plans, drawings, specifications or related information for any building or facility which is used for purposes requiring security measures in or around the building or facility or which is used for the generation or transmission of power, water, fuels or communications, if disclosure would jeopardize security of the public agency, building or facility.
- (13) The contents of appraisals or engineering or feasibility estimates or evaluations made by or for a public agency relative to the acquisition of property, prior to the award of formal contracts therefor.
- (14) Correspondence between a public agency and a private individual, other than correspondence which is intended to give notice of an action, policy or determination relating to any regulatory, supervisory or enforcement responsibility of the public agency or which is widely distributed to the public by a public agency and is not specifically in response to communications from such a private individual.
- (15) Records pertaining to employer-employee negotiations, if disclosure would reveal information discussed in a lawful executive session under K.S.A. 75-4319, and amendments thereto.
- (16) Software programs for electronic data processing and documentation thereof, but each public agency shall maintain a register, open to the public, that describes:
- (A) The information which the agency maintains on computer facilities and
- $\left(B\right) \;\;$ the form in which the information can be made available using existing computer programs.
- (17) Applications, financial statements and other information submitted in connection with applications for student financial assistance where financial need is a consideration for the award.
- (18) Plans, designs, drawings or specifications which are prepared by a person other than an employee of a public agency or records which are the property of a private person.
- (19) Well samples, logs or surveys which the state corporation commission requires to be filed by persons who have drilled or caused to be

drilled, or are drilling or causing to be drilled, holes for the purpose of discovery or production of oil or gas, to the extent that disclosure is limited by rules and regulations of the state corporation commission.

- (20) Notes, preliminary drafts, research data in the process of analysis, unfunded grant proposals, memoranda, recommendations or other records in which opinions are expressed or policies or actions are proposed, except that this exemption shall not apply when such records are publicly cited or identified in an open meeting or in an agenda of an open meeting.
- (21) Records of a public agency having legislative powers, which records pertain to proposed legislation or amendments to proposed legislation, except that this exemption shall not apply when such records are:
- (A) Publicly cited or identified in an open meeting or in an agenda of an open meeting; or
- (B) distributed to a majority of a quorum of any body which has authority to take action or make recommendations to the public agency with regard to the matters to which such records pertain.
- (22) Records of a public agency having legislative powers, which records pertain to research prepared for one or more members of such agency, except that this exemption shall not apply when such records are:
- (A) Publicly cited or identified in an open meeting or in an agenda of an open meeting; or
- (B) distributed to a majority of a quorum of any body which has authority to take action or make recommendations to the public agency with regard to the matters to which such records pertain.
- (23) Library patron and circulation records which pertain to identifiable individuals.
- (24) Records which are compiled for census or research purposes and which pertain to identifiable individuals.
- (25) Records which represent and constitute the work product of an attorney.
- (26) Records of a utility or other public service pertaining to individually identifiable residential customers of the utility or service, except that information concerning billings for specific individual customers named by the requester shall be subject to disclosure as provided by this act.
- (27) Specifications for competitive bidding, until the specifications are officially approved by the public agency.
- (28) Sealed bids and related documents, until a bid is accepted or all bids rejected.
- (29) Correctional records pertaining to an identifiable inmate or release, except that:
- (A) The name; photograph and other identifying information; sentence data; parole eligibility date; custody or supervision level; disciplinary

record; supervision violations; conditions of supervision, excluding requirements pertaining to mental health or substance abuse counseling; location of facility where incarcerated or location of parole office maintaining supervision and address of a releasee whose crime was committed after the effective date of this act shall be subject to disclosure to any person other than another inmate or releasee, except that the disclosure of the location of an inmate transferred to another state pursuant to the interstate corrections compact shall be at the discretion of the secretary of corrections;

- (B) the ombudsman of corrections, the attorney general, law enforcement agencies, counsel for the inmate to whom the record pertains and any county or district attorney shall have access to correctional records to the extent otherwise permitted by law;
- (C) the information provided to the law enforcement agency pursuant to the sex offender registration act, K.S.A. 22-4901, et seq., and amendments thereto, shall be subject to disclosure to any person, except that the name, address, telephone number or any other information which specifically and individually identifies the victim of any offender required to register as provided by the Kansas offender registration act, K.S.A. 22-4901 et seq. and amendments thereto, shall not be disclosed; and
- (D) records of the department of corrections regarding the financial assets of an offender in the custody of the secretary of corrections shall be subject to disclosure to the victim, or such victim's family, of the crime for which the inmate is in custody as set forth in an order of restitution by the sentencing court.
- (30) Public records containing information of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
- (31) Public records pertaining to prospective location of a business or industry where no previous public disclosure has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating in, relocating within or expanding within the state. This exception shall not include those records pertaining to application of agencies for permits or licenses necessary to do business or to expand business operations within this state, except as otherwise provided by law.
- (32) Engineering and architectural estimates made by or for any public agency relative to public improvements.
- (33) Financial information submitted by contractors in qualification statements to any public agency.
- (34) Records involved in the obtaining and processing of intellectual property rights that are expected to be, wholly or partially vested in or owned by a state educational institution, as defined in K.S.A. 76-711, and amendments thereto, or an assignee of the institution organized and ex-

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isting for the benefit of the institution.

- (35) Any report or record which is made pursuant to K.S.A. 65-4922, 65-4923 or 65-4924, and amendments thereto, and which is privileged pursuant to K.S.A. 65-4915 or 65-4925, and amendments thereto.
- (36) Information which would reveal the precise location of an archeological site.
- (37) Any financial data or traffic information from a railroad company, to a public agency, concerning the sale, lease or rehabilitation of the railroad's property in Kansas.
- (38) Risk-based capital reports, risk-based capital plans and corrective orders including the working papers and the results of any analysis filed with the commissioner of insurance in accordance with K.S.A. 40-2c20 and 45-2d20 40-2d20 and amendments thereto.
- (39) Memoranda and related materials required to be used to support the annual actuarial opinions submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of K.S.A. 40-409, and amendments thereto.
- (40) Disclosure reports filed with the commissioner of insurance under subsection (a) of K.S.A. 40-2,156, and amendments thereto.
- (41) All financial analysis ratios and examination synopses concerning insurance companies that are submitted to the commissioner by the national association of insurance commissioners' insurance regulatory information system.
- (42) Any records the disclosure of which is restricted or prohibited by a tribal-state gaming compact.
- (43) Market research, market plans, business plans and the terms and conditions of managed care or other third party contracts, developed or entered into by the university of Kansas medical center in the operation and management of the university hospital which the chancellor of the university of Kansas or the chancellor's designee determines would give an unfair advantage to competitors of the university of Kansas medical center.
- (44) The amount of franchise tax paid to the secretary of state by domestic corporations, foreign corporations, domestic limited liability companies, foreign limited liability companies, domestic limited partnership, foreign limited partnership, domestic limited liability partnerships and foreign limited liability partnerships.
- (45) Records the disclosure of which may jeopardize the security of systems would pose a substantial likelihood of revealing security measures that protect: (A) Systems, facilities or equipment used in the production, transmission or distribution of energy, water or communications services; or (B) sewer or wastewater treatment systems, facilities or equipment. For purposes of this paragraph, security means measures that protect against criminal acts intended to in-

timidate or coerce the civilian population, influence government policy by intimidation or coercion or to affect the operation of government by disruption of public services, mass destruction, assassination or kidnapping.

- (b) Except to the extent disclosure is otherwise required by law or as appropriate during the course of an administrative proceeding or on appeal from agency action, a public agency or officer shall not disclose financial information of a taxpayer which may be required or requested by a county appraiser or the director of property valuation to assist in the determination of the value of the taxpayer's property for ad valorem taxation purposes; or any financial information of a personal nature required or requested by a public agency or officer, including a name, job description or title revealing the salary or other compensation of officers, employees or applicants for employment with a firm, corporation or agency, except a public agency. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit the publication of statistics, so classified as to prevent identification of particular reports or returns and the items thereof.
- (c) As used in this section, the term "cited or identified" shall not include a request to an employee of a public agency that a document be prepared.
- (d) If a public record contains material which is not subject to disclosure pursuant to this act, the public agency shall separate or delete such material and make available to the requester that material in the public record which is subject to disclosure pursuant to this act. If a public record is not subject to disclosure because it pertains to an identifiable individual, the public agency shall delete the identifying portions of the record and make available to the requester any remaining portions which are subject to disclosure pursuant to this act, unless the request is for a record pertaining to a specific individual or to such a limited group of individuals that the individuals' identities are reasonably ascertainable, the public agency shall not be required to disclose those portions of the record which pertain to such individual or individuals.
- (e) The provisions of this section shall not be construed to exempt from public disclosure statistical information not descriptive of any identifiable person.
- (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), any public record which has been in existence more than 70 years shall be open for inspection by any person unless disclosure of the record is specifically prohibited or restricted by federal law, state statute or rule of the Kansas supreme court or by a policy adopted pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6214, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2- 9. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 45-221 is hereby repealed.

Sec. $\frac{2\cdot}{2\cdot}$ 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

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