

HOUSE BILL No. 2483

By Representative Gordon

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AN ACT concerning appropriations for fiscal years June 30, 2005, and June 30, 2006, for a pilot program for dependents of state employees; amending K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 75-6506a and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 75-6506a is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-6506a. ~~Commencing in plan year 2002,~~ Within the limits of appropriations thereof, the Kansas state employees health care commission shall establish a pilot program which provides that, if an active employee of the state of Kansas is enrolled in a health care benefits plan administered by the Kansas state employees health care commission, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-6501 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, the commission shall provide that a percentage determined by the commission, within the limits of appropriations for the pilot program, of the cost to cover an eligible child or children shall be paid as an employer contribution for the participation of any eligible child or children in the state health benefits program.

(b) As used in this section, "eligible child" means any child who is an eligible dependent pursuant to K.A.R. 108-1-1 and who is otherwise eligible for insurance coverage under the insurance plan authorized by K.S.A. 38-2001 and amendments thereto and under the guidelines for eligibility developed by the commission within the limits of appropriations for the pilot program but is not eligible solely because the child is a member of a family that is eligible for health benefits coverage under a state health benefits plan administered by the Kansas state employees health care commission. *The state health care commission shall fix the costs of participation under the pilot project prescribed to be conducted by this section for eligible children, as defined by this subsection, of state employees for plan year 2005.*

(c) The Kansas state employees health care commission shall report its findings and any recommendations which the commission may have concerning the pilot program established under this section to the governor and to the legislature annually.

(d) The secretary of administration is hereby authorized to receive

1 grants, gifts or donations from the United States government, or its agen-
2 cies, the Sunflower Foundation: Health care for Kansas, or any other
3 source whatsoever for the purposes of the pilot program established un-
4 der this section and amendments thereto, and any moneys so received
5 shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the cafeteria ben-
6 efits fund established by K.S.A. 75-6513 and amendments thereto. All
7 funds received pursuant to this section shall be placed in a separate ac-
8 count within the cafeteria benefits fund *to be used for the pilot program.*

9 *(e) Expenditures shall be made from the cafeteria benefits fund for*
10 *fiscal years June 30, 2005, and June 30, 2006, from moneys available in*
11 *the fund for this purpose to conduct the pilot project prescribed by this*
12 *section for plan year 2005. All expenditures made from ~~such fund~~ the*
13 *cafeteria benefits fund for the purposes of this section shall be made in*
14 *accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of ac-*
15 *counts and reports issued by the secretary of administration or a person*
16 *designated by the secretary of administration.*

17 *(f) The commission shall prepare and submit budget estimates for the*
18 *plan year 2005 for the amount required to finance the costs of conducting*
19 *this pilot project, in addition to the amounts available from gifts, grants*
20 *or donations received for this purpose, and submit such estimate to the*
21 *governor and to the legislature. The legislature shall provide by appro-*
22 *riation act for the transfer of sufficient moneys during the fiscal years*
23 *ending June 30, 2005, and June 30, 2006, from the children's initiatives*
24 *fund to the cafeteria benefits fund to finance the costs of conducting this*
25 *pilot project.*

26 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 75-6506a is hereby repealed.

27 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
28 publication in the statute book.

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