HOUSE BILL No. 2192

By Representatives Huff, Colloton, Cox, DeCastro, Faust-Goudeau, Garcia, Gordon, Horst, Huntington, Kirk, Lane, Jim Morrison, Vickrey and Yonally

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AN ACT concerning disposition of certain tobacco litigation settlement proceeds; establishing the health care for seniors fund.

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

Section 1. (a) There is hereby established in the state treasury the health care for seniors fund which shall be administered by the secretary of aging as provided by law.

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of K.S.A. 38-2101, and amendments thereto, of the moneys received by the state pursuant to the to-bacco litigation settlement agreements entered into by the attorney general on behalf of the state of Kansas, or pursuant to any judgment rendered, regarding the litigation against tobacco industry companies and related entities, an amount equal to 30% of any amount so received shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the health care for seniors fund established by this section.
- (c) All moneys credited to the health care for seniors fund shall be used for additional funding for health care programs, assistance and services for seniors. Moneys allocated or appropriated from the health care for seniors fund shall not be used to replace or substitute for moneys appropriated from the state general fund in the immediately preceding fiscal year. All expenditures from the health care for seniors fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary of aging or the secretary's designee.
- (d) On or before the 10th day of each month, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer from the state general fund to the health care for seniors fund interest earnings based on (1) the average daily balance of moneys in the health care for seniors fund and (2) the net earnings rate of the pooled money investment portfolio for the preceding month.
- (e) As used in this section, "senior" means an individual who resides in Kansas, who is 60 years of age or older and who is in need of health care, including any tobacco-related illness.

- 1 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 2 publication in the statute book.