

SENATE BILL No. 565

AN ACT relating to the state fair board; concerning background investigations for certain employees; amending K.S.A. 2-205 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2-205 is hereby amended to read as follows: 2-205.

(a) (1) All moneys received by the state fair board through the operation of the state fair and from any and all other sources directly related to the operation of the state fair shall be remitted 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 state fair fee fund, which is hereby created.

(2) During each fiscal year, moneys in the state fair fee fund, and appropriations for the operation of the state fair from the state general fund made for the state fair, or the state fair board, may be transferred from the state treasury to a bank in Reno county, Kansas, to the account of the state fair board, upon vouchers of the state fair board, to establish the state fair board local bank account. The moneys in the state fair board local bank account may be used by the state fair board:

(A) In operating and conducting a state fair, including but not by way of limitation, the payment of labor, salaries of part-time employees, prizes and awards and as provided by this section; and

(B) in operating and promoting nonfair days events. The state treasurer and the director of accounts and reports are authorized and directed to honor all such vouchers and orders of the state fair board, and to make such transfers as directed.

(3) (A) During each fiscal year, the state fair board may expend moneys on deposit to its credit in the state fair board local bank account, for the operation and promotion of the state fair and nonfair days events, by approved vouchers directed to the treasurer of the state fair board and by the issuance of checks by the treasurer of the board to the persons entitled thereto as shown upon such vouchers. All such expenditures may be made without compliance with any of the provisions of any act contained in article 37 of chapter 75 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

(B) During the period beginning May 1 and extending to October 31 of each year, the state fair board may employ labor and personnel in conjunction with the current operation of the state fair, without compliance with the provisions of any act contained in article 29 of chapter 75 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto. *The state fair board may conduct a check of the internet site maintained by the Kansas bureau of investigation concerning registered offenders prior to employing such persons. The board is authorized to use such information to determine such person's fitness for employment. The state fair board or any employees thereof, shall not be liable for civil damages to any person refused employment or discharged from employment by reason of the board complying with this paragraph.* This authority to employ shall not be construed as authorizing the board to employ its normal classified service employees on a different basis for all or any part of that six-month period.

(4) On or before each June 30, all unencumbered moneys on deposit to the credit of the state fair board in the state fair board local bank account shall be transferred back to the state treasury to the credit of the state fair fee fund or appropriation from the state general fund according as each may be entitled. All moneys in the state fair fee fund may be used for the payment of checks drawn against the state fair board local bank account upon vouchers drawn by the state fair board. Upon the close of accounts for each fiscal year, the state fair board shall submit a full and complete object classification report for such fiscal year on all moneys collected by and expended by the state fair board to the director of accounts and reports.

(b) All moneys received by the state fair board through the operation and promotion of nonfair days events shall be deposited in the state fair board local bank account for use for nonfair days events by the state fair board and as provided by this section. All expenses incurred in the operation and promotion of nonfair days events shall be paid from the state fair board local bank account by issuance of checks by the treasurer of the state fair board or a person designated by such treasurer.

(c) The state fair board local bank account required for use in oper-

ating and promoting the state fair or nonfair days events under this section shall be awarded to a bank in Reno county, Kansas, by the pooled money investment board under a written agreement in accordance with procedures for state bank accounts under K.S.A. 75-4217, and amendments thereto, and shall be secured by pledge of securities in the manner prescribed for state bank accounts under K.S.A. 75-4218, and amendments thereto, and in the amount prescribed for fee agency accounts under that statute.

(d) (1) Upon request of the state fair board, the director of accounts and reports shall authorize the state fair board to establish a change fund for the purposes of the state fair for use on those days not designated as official state fair days in an amount of not to exceed \$15,000 to be maintained in the form of cash. For the purposes of establishing such change fund, moneys may be withdrawn from moneys available therefor in the state fair board local bank account in accordance with the need therefor.

(2) The moneys in a change fund established under this subsection (d) shall be used exclusively for the making of change in receiving amounts for the purposes of the state fair on those days not designated as official state fair days. No advance or expenditure shall be made from such change fund.

(e) (1) Upon request of the state fair board, the director of accounts and reports shall authorize the state fair board to establish a change fund for nonfair days events in an amount of not to exceed \$15,000 to be maintained in the form of cash. For the purposes of establishing a nonfair days events change fund, moneys may be withdrawn from moneys available therefor in the state fair board local bank account in accordance with the need therefor.

(2) The moneys in the nonfair days events change fund shall be used exclusively for the making of change in receiving amounts in operating and conducting the nonfair days events during the nonfair days period. No advance or expenditure shall be made from such change fund.

(f) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, each change fund established under subsection (d) or (e) shall be administered in the same manner as change funds authorized in accordance with K.S.A. 75-3078, and amendments thereto, and shall be subject to the procedures and reimbursement and reporting provisions of that statute or such procedures and reporting requirements as may be prescribed by the director of accounts and reports under that statute. The director of accounts and reports may authorize a reconciling entry in any reconciliation statement for any such change fund in an amount of not to exceed the maximum authorized by K.S.A. 75-3078, and amendments thereto, for change funds authorized in accordance with that statute.

(2) All officers and employees of the state fair board having custody of moneys of a change fund established under subsection (d) or (e) shall be covered by a blanket surety contract purchased by the committee on surety bonds and insurance in such amount or amounts and upon such terms and conditions as the committee on surety bonds and insurance deems necessary and proper in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4103, 75-4104 and 75-4105, and amendments thereto.

(g) As used in this section:

(1) “Nonfair days event” means an event held on the state fairgrounds on those days which have not been designated as official state fair days; and

(2) “state fair board local bank account” means the account established and maintained for the state fair board in a bank located in Reno county, Kansas, as authorized by this section.

(h) On the effective date of this act, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer all moneys in the nonfair days activities fee fund to the state fair fee fund. On the effective date of this act, all obligations of the nonfair days activities fee fund are hereby transferred to and imposed on the state fair fee fund. On the effective date of this act, the nonfair days activities fee fund is hereby abolished.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2-205 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the SENATE, and passed that body

SENATE concurred in
HOUSE amendments _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

Passed the HOUSE
as amended _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

APPROVED _____

Governor.