SENATE BILL No. 165

By Committee on Ways and Means

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AN ACT concerning the state water plan fund; relating to increasing fees that contribute to the fund; amending K.S.A. 70a-102 and K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 2-1205, 2-2204, 82a-954 and 82a-2101 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 2-1205 is hereby amended to read as follows: 2-1205. An inspection fee shall be collected upon all commercial fertilizers sold, offered or exposed for sale, or distributed in Kansas, which shall be at a rate per ton of 2,000 pounds fixed by rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of agriculture, except that such rate shall not exceed \$1.67 \$2.37 per ton of 2,000 pounds. The secretary of agriculture may adopt rules and regulations establishing the inspection fee rate under this section. Each person registering any commercial fertilizer shall pay the inspection fee on such commercial fertilizer sold, offered or exposed for sale, or distributed in Kansas. Each such person shall keep adequate records showing the tonnage of each commercial fertilizer shipped to or sold, offered or exposed for sale, or distributed in Kansas. The secretary, and duly authorized representatives of the secretary, shall have authority to examine such records and other pertinent records necessary to verify the statement of tonnage.

Each person registering any commercial fertilizer shall file an affidavit semiannually, with the secretary, within 30 days after each January 1 and each July 1, showing the tonnage of commercial fertilizer sold or distributed in Kansas for the preceding six-month period. Each such person shall pay to the secretary the inspection fee due for such six-month period, except that the registrant shall not be required to pay the inspection fee or report the tonnage of commercial fertilizers or fertilizer materials sold and shipped directly to fertilizer manufacturers or mixers. The fertilizer manufacturers or mixers shall keep adequate records of the commercial fertilizers sold or distributed in this state, and report to the secretary the tonnage and pay the inspection fee due. If the affidavit is not filed and the inspection fee is not paid within the 30-day period, or if the report of tonnage is false, the secretary may revoke the registrations filed by such person. If the affidavit is not filed and the inspection fee is not paid

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within the 30-day period, or any extension thereof granted by the secretary, a penalty of \$5 per day, or commencing on July 1, 2002, and ending on June 30, 2010, a penalty of \$10 per day shall be assessed against the registrant and the inspection fee and penalty shall constitute a debt and become the basis for a judgment against such person. The secretary may grant a reasonable extension of time.

The secretary of agriculture is hereby authorized and empowered to reduce the inspection fee by adopting rules and regulations under this section whenever the secretary determines that the inspection fee is yielding more than is necessary for the purpose of administering the provisions of this act as listed below and the plant pest act. The secretary is hereby authorized and empowered to increase the inspection fee by adopting rules and regulations under this section when it finds that such is necessary to produce sufficient revenues for the purposes of administering the provisions of this act, except that the inspection fee shall not be increased in excess of the maximum fee prescribed by this section. The secretary shall remit all moneys received by or for the secretary under article 12 of chapter 2 of Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, 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 and shall credit such remittance as follows: (1) An amount equal to \$1.40 \$2.10 per ton shall be credited to the state water plan fund created by K.S.A. 82a-951, and amendments thereto; (2) an amount equal to \$.04 per ton shall be credited to the fertilizer research fund; (3) commencing July 1, 2002, and ending on June 30, 2010, an amount equal to \$.05 per ton shall be credited to the fertilizer and pesticide compliance and administration fund; and (4) the remainder shall be credited to the fertilizer fee fund. All expenditures from the fertilizer fee 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 agriculture or by a person or persons designated by the secretary.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 2-2204 is hereby amended to read as follows: 2-2204. (a) Every agricultural chemical which is distributed, sold or offered for sale within this state or delivered for transportation or transported in intrastate commerce or between points within this state through any point outside this state shall be registered in the office of the secretary. The secretary may adopt rules and regulations to allow products to be registered for a period not to exceed three years. All registration of products shall expire on December 31 of the year the registration is set to expire, unless such registration shall be renewed, in which event expiration date shall be extended for each year of renewal registration, or until otherwise terminated. Products which have the same formula, and

 are manufactured by the same person, the labeling of which contains the same claims, and the labels of which bear a designation identifying the product as the same agricultural chemical may be registered as a single product and additional names and labels shall be added by supplement statements during the current period of registration. Within the discretion of the secretary, or an authorized representative of the secretary, a change in the labeling or formulas of an agricultural chemical may be made within the current period of registration without requiring a reregistration of the product. Any agricultural chemical imported into this state which is subject to the provisions of any federal act providing for the registration and which has been duly registered under the provisions of such federal act, in the discretion of the secretary, may be exempted from registration under this act when such agricultural chemical is sold or distributed in the unbroken immediate container in which such agricultural chemical was originally shipped.

- (b) The registrant shall file with the secretary, a statement including: (1) The name and address of the registrant and the name and address of the person whose name will appear on the label if other than the registrant; (2) the name of the agricultural chemical; (3) a complete copy of the labeling accompanying the agricultural chemical and a statement of all claims made and to be made for it and a statement of directions for use; and (4) if requested by the secretary, or an authorized representative of the secretary, a full description of the tests made and the results thereof upon which the claims are based. In the case of renewal of registration, a statement shall be required only with respect to information which is different from that furnished when the product was registered or last reregistered.
- (c) On the date of registration, the registrant shall pay a fee fixed by rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of agriculture. Such fee shall equal an amount per registered agricultural chemical, not to exceed \$150 \$200, multiplied by the number of years registered. Such fee shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited as follows: (1) An amount equal to \$100 \$150 for each year of registration shall be credited to the state water plan fund created by K.S.A. 82a-951, and amendments thereto; and (2) the remainder shall be credited to the agricultural chemical fee fund to be used for carrying out the provisions of this act. The annual fee for each agricultural chemical registered which is in effect on the day preceding the effective date of this act shall continue in effect until the secretary of agriculture adopts rules and regulations fixing a different fee therefor under this subsection. The secretary of agriculture is hereby authorized and empowered, whenever it determines that the fee imposed by this subsection and paid into the state treasury as provided by law is yielding more revenue than is required for the purposes to which

such fee is devoted by law, to reduce the fee imposed by this subsection for such period as the secretary shall deem justified by adopting rules and regulations under this subsection but not for less than one year. In the event that the secretary, after reducing such fee, finds that sufficient revenues are not being produced by such reduced fee, the secretary is authorized and empowered by adopting rules and regulations under this subsection, to restore in full or in part such fee to an amount which, in the judgment of the secretary, will produce sufficient revenues for the purposes as provided in this section, but not exceeding the maximum amount of the fee imposed by this subsection.

- (d) The secretary, or an authorized representative of the secretary, whenever it is deemed essential in the administration of this act, may require the submission of the complete formula of any agricultural chemical. If it appears to the secretary, or an authorized representative of the secretary, that the composition of the product is such as to warrant the proposed claims for the product and if the product and its labeling and other material required to be submitted comply with the requirements of this act, the secretary shall register the product.
- (e) If it does not appear to the secretary, or an authorized representative of the secretary, that the product is such as to warrant the proposed claims for it or if the product and its labeling and other material required to be submitted do not comply with the provisions of this act, the secretary shall notify the registrant of the manner in which the product, labeling, or other material required to be submitted fail to comply with the act so as to afford the registrant an opportunity to make the necessary corrections.
- (f) In order to protect the public, the secretary, or a duly authorized representative of the secretary, on the secretary's own motion, may at any time, after written notice to the registrant, cancel the registration of an agricultural chemical. Any person so notified shall be given an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act with regard to the secretary's contemplated action, before any registration is canceled or revoked.
- (g) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this act, registration is not required in the case of an agricultural chemical shipped from one plant within this state to another plant within this state operated by the same person.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 70a-102 is hereby amended to read as follows: 70a-102. (a) Whenever any person desires to take any sand, gravel, oil, gas, mineral, hay, timber or other materials from any river owned by the state or from any land in such river, the person shall obtain the consent of the director of taxation upon such terms of payment to the state of Kansas and under such terms and conditions as the director of taxation deter-

mines to be just and proper. Compensation for such products shall be paid to the state of Kansas at such times and under such terms as the director of taxation directs. With respect to river sand, the compensation shall be computed at the rate of \$.15 \$.225 per ton removed. The secretary of revenue shall determine, by rule and regulation, the amount of compensation to be paid for other materials removed from rivers owned by the state or from land in such rivers.

- (b) No contract shall be entered into giving any person, company or corporation any exclusive privilege of making purchases under this act.
- (c) Nothing herein shall prevent the taking without payment of any sand or gravel to be used exclusively for a person's own domestic use.
- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 82a-954 is hereby amended to read as follows: 82a-954. (a) On and after July 1, 1989 2009, there is hereby imposed a water protection fee at the rate of:
- (1) Three *Six* cents per 1,000 gallons of water sold at retail by a public water supply system and delivered through mains, lines or pipes;
- (2) subject to the provisions of subsection (c), three six cents per 1,000 gallons of water appropriated for industrial use pursuant to a permit granted in accordance with the Kansas water appropriation act; and
- (3) three six cents per 1,000 gallons of water appropriated for stockwatering pursuant to a permit granted in accordance with the Kansas water appropriation act.
- (b) As used in this section, "industrial use" and "stockwatering" have the meanings provided by rules and regulations of the chief engineer of the division of water resources of the Kansas department of agriculture and the determination of gallons used shall be based upon figures supplied to the secretary of revenue by the division of water resources.
- (c) The fees imposed by subsections (a)(2) and (3) shall be based on the actual amount used for industrial use or stockwatering during the preceding calendar year as reported to the chief engineer of the division of water resources of the Kansas department of agriculture in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 82a-732, and amendments thereto, except that: (1) The amount of surface water used for flow through cooling purposes for electric power generating plants shall be based on an average consumptive factor as determined by the division of water resources; and (2) no such fee shall be imposed on the amount of water used for commercial fish farming. If no water use report is filed for such year, the fee shall be based on the amount authorized for industrial use or stockwatering in such year.
- (d) The fee imposed by subsection (a)(1) shall be paid quarterly by the public water supplier and shall be transmitted to the department of revenue not later than 45 days following the end of each quarter. The public water supplier may collect the fee directly from each consumer to

which water is sold at retail or may pay the amount owed to the department from moneys in its operating or other fund available for that purpose. The fees imposed by subsections (a)(2) and (3) shall be paid by the owner of the permit. If any retailer or permit owner fails to pay the fee required to be collected and paid under this section, there shall be added, to the unpaid balance of the fee, penalty and interest as prescribed under K.S.A. 79-3615, and amendments thereto, for the late payment of sales tax.

- (e) The director of taxation shall administer, enforce and collect the fees imposed by this section. All laws and rules and regulations of the secretary relating to the administration, enforcement and collection of the retailers' sales tax shall apply to such fee insofar as they can be made applicable, and the secretary shall adopt such additional rules and regulations as necessary for the efficient and effective administration, enforcement and collection thereof.
- (f) The director of taxation shall remit all moneys collected from fees imposed pursuant to this section 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 water plan fund created by K.S.A. 82a-951, and amendments thereto.
- (g) An owner of an industrial use permit who has a contract with the state for withdrawal and use of water pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1301 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall be exempt from the fee imposed by subsection (a)(2) on any water for which the permit owner is required to pay charges under such contract.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 82a-2101 is hereby amended to read as follows: 82a-2101. (a) On and after January 1, 2002 July 1, 2009, there is hereby imposed a clean drinking water fee at the rate of \$.03 \$.06 per 1,000 gallons of water sold at retail by a public water supply system and delivered through mains, lines or pipes. Such fee shall be paid, administered, enforced and collected in the manner provided for the fee imposed by subsection (a)(1) of K.S.A. 82a-954, and amendments thereto. The price to the consumer of water sold at retail by any such system shall not include the amount of such fee.
- (b) (1) A public water supply system may elect to opt out of the fee imposed by this section by notifying, before October 1, 2001, the Kansas water office and the department of revenue of the election to opt out. Except as provided by subsection (b)(2), such election shall be irrevocable. Such public water supply system shall continue to pay all applicable sales tax on direct and indirect purchases of tangible personal property and services purchased by such system.
- (2) On and after January 1, 2005, any public water supply system

which elected to opt out of the fee imposed by subsection (a) may elect to collect such fee as provided by subsection (a) and direct and indirect purchases of tangible personal property and services by such system shall be exempt from sales tax as provided by K.S.A. 79-3606, and amendments thereto. Such election shall be irrevocable.

- (c) The director of taxation shall remit to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto, all moneys received or collected from the fee imposed pursuant to this section. Upon receipt thereof, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury and credit it as follows:
- (1)~ $^5\!\!/_{106}$ of such amount shall be credited to the state highway fund and the remainder to the state general fund; and
- (2) on and after July 1, 2007, 5/106 of such amount shall be credited to the state highway fund and the remaining amount shall be credited to the state water plan fund created by K.S.A. 82a-951, and amendments thereto, for use as follows: (A) Not less than 15% shall be used to provide on-site technical assistance for public water supply systems, as defined in K.S.A. 65-162a, and amendments thereto, to aid such systems in conforming to responsible management practices and complying with regulations of the United States environmental protection agency and rules and regulations of the department of health and environment; and (B) the remainder shall be used to renovate and protect lakes which are used directly as a source of water for such public water supply systems, so long as where appropriate, watershed restoration and protection practices are planned or in place.
- (d) The state conservation commission shall promulgate rules and regulations in coordination with the Kansas water office establishing the project application evaluation criteria for the use of such moneys under subsection (c)(2)(B).
- 30 Sec. 6. K.S.A. 70a-102 and K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 2-1205, 2-2204, 82a-31 954 and 82a-2101 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.