

HOUSE BILL No. 2131

By Committee on Children and Seniors

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1 AN ACT concerning the coordinated public transportation assistance act;
2 relating to eligibility of applicants for assistance to transportation
3 systems; amending K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 75-5034 and 75-5037 and
4 repealing the existing sections.
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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 75-5034 is hereby amended to read as
8 follows: 75-5034. When used in this act:

9 (a) "Transportation system" means all public and private
10 transportation providers which provide public transportation services to
11 elderly persons, persons with disabilities and the general public, and which
12 receive federal support through 49 U.S.C. §§ 5307, 5310 or 5311 from the
13 U.S. department of transportation, federal transit administration.

14 (b) "Transportation" means the movement of individuals and meals in
15 a four or more wheeled motorized vehicle designed to carry passengers.
16 Transportation does not include emergency or school transportation.

17 (c) "Coordination" means, where programmatically feasible, all
18 entities involved in administrating ~~and~~ or providing transportation and
19 related services to elderly persons, persons with disabilities and the general
20 public will work together in a smooth, concerted effort to effectively use
21 resources and alleviate duplication of services.

22 (d) "Elderly persons" means those persons 60 years of age or older.

23 (e) "Persons with disabilities" means those persons determined by the
24 department of transportation to be disadvantaged in terms of the
25 transportation services available to them due to physical or mental
26 disability.

27 (f) "Public transportation services" means those services accessible to
28 elderly persons, persons with disabilities and the general public.

29 (g) "Department" means the Kansas department of transportation.

30 (h) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department of
31 transportation or designee.

32 (i) *"Rural transportation system" means all public or private*
33 *transportation agencies which provide transportation services to*
34 *nonurbanized portions of the state and which receive federal support*
35 *through 49 U.S.C. § 5310 or 49 U.S.C. § 5311 from the United States*
36 *department of transportation, federal transit administration, or from the*

1 *Kansas coordinated public transportation assistance act, or from both.*

2 (j) "Nonurbanized area" means any city or county with a population
3 of less than 50,000.

4 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 75-5037 is hereby amended to read as
5 follows: 75-5037. (a) The secretary shall administer and allocate funds
6 appropriated under this act for the purpose of providing financial and
7 administrative assistance to transportation systems.

8 (b) The secretary shall determine the eligibility of each applicant.

9 The following criteria shall be used in determining eligibility:

10 (1) Whether the proposal serves the transportation needs of elderly
11 persons, persons with disabilities and the general public of the proposed
12 service area;

13 (2) *whether the proposal serves the transportation needs of a rural*
14 *transportation system;*

15 ~~(2)~~ (3) whether resources for transportation services are utilized in an
16 effective and efficient manner;

17 ~~(3)~~ (4) whether duplicative and inefficient administrative costs and
18 transportation services are avoided.

19 (c) No more than 1% of the funds provided under this act shall be
20 expended for administrative purposes.

21 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 75-5034 and 75-5037 are hereby repealed.

22 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
23 publication in the statute book.