Session of 2024

HOUSE BILL No. 2723

By Committee on Welfare Reform

Requested by Jason Watkins on behalf of Representative Howell and the Sedgwick County Commission

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1 AN ACT making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending 2 June 30, 2025; relating to the department for aging and disability 3 services; creating a grant program to fund proposed homeless shelter 4 infrastructure; establishing requirements for such grants awarded. 5 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 7 Section 1 8 KANSAS DEPARTMENT FOR 9 AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES 10 (a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general 11 fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following: Homeless shelter infrastructure grant......\$40,000,000 12 13 Provided, That expenditures shall be made from the homeless shelter 14 infrastructure grant account in an amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 to administer a program intended to address homeless shelter 15 16 infrastructure pursuant to section 2, and amendments thereto. 17 Sec. 2. (a) Subject to appropriations, the secretary for aging and 18 disability services shall develop and administer a grant program to award 19 funds to Kansas local governments to be allocated for the building of or 20 capital improvements to congregate and non-congregate shelters that 21 provide services for homeless individuals and families and persons at risk 22 of homelessness. 23 (b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the secretary for aging 24 and disability services shall award grants to Kansas local governments 25 that: 26 (1) Propose a building plan or improvement plan for a congregate or 27 non-congregate shelter that provides services for homeless individuals and 28 families and persons at risk of homelessness; 29 (2) provide wraparound housing services to homeless individuals and 30 families and persons at risk of homelessness; 31 (3) collect data required by the department of housing and urban 32 development; 33 (4) prioritize long-term wraparound services for persons who are 34 Kansas residents or have proof of presence within Kansas for eight

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1 consecutive months;

2 (5) provide long-term wraparound services prioritized for Kansas 3 residents; and

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(6) enforce local ordinances regarding camping and vagrancy.

5 (c) Funding to a local government shall be matched by the local 6 government receiving the funding on the basis of \$1 provided by the local 7 government for each \$1 provided pursuant to this section.

8 (d) If the unit of local government or private nonprofit organization 9 has misused funds or failed to use funds for the awarded purpose, enforce 10 local ordinances regarding camping and vagrancy and provide the required 11 wraparound services:

(1) The unit or organization shall pay the secretary for aging anddisability services the amount originally awarded under this section; or

(2) the secretary for aging and disability services may file for a lien to
be attached on the real property in the amount originally awarded under
this section.

17 (e) There is hereby established in the state treasury the homeless 18 shelter infrastructure grant fund, and such fund shall be administered by 19 the secretary for aging and disability services. All expenditures from the 20 homeless shelter infrastructure grant fund shall be for grants awarded 21 according to this section. All expenditures from the homeless shelter 22 infrastructure grant fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation 23 acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant 24 to vouchers approved by the secretary for aging and disability services or 25 the secretary's designee. All moneys received pursuant to subsection (d) shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of 26 27 K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such 28 remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state 29 treasury to the credit of the homeless shelter infrastructure grant fund.

30 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 31 publication in the statute book.