

**HOUSE BILL No. 2513**

By Committee on Appropriations

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AN ACT concerning the department of social and rehabilitation services; relating to rehabilitation services; creating the AgrAbility assistive technology initiative; prescribing certain powers, duties and functions; making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002.

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

Section 1. There is hereby established the AgrAbility assistive technology initiative within rehabilitation services of the department of social and rehabilitations services. To the extent not in conflict with applicable federal statutes, regulations and policies and subject to the provisions of appropriation acts, the secretary of social and rehabilitation services, in cooperation with the assistive technology for Kansans project coordinated by the university of Kansas at Parsons, shall promote and develop rehabilitation opportunities in Kansas to make more information, technical assistance, evaluation services and training available to meet the needs of Kansas farm families and other persons engaged in agribusiness who have acquired disabilities. To the extent practicable and appropriate in order to obtain additional federal funding for rehabilitation services, the secretary of social and rehabilitation services shall apply for appropriate waivers to federal rehabilitation program provisions to provide for the AgrAbility assistive technology initiative.

Sec. 2. (a) There is appropriated from the state general fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, the following:

Rehabilitation services — AgrAbility assistive technology initiative..... \$140,000

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