

Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Sub for HB 2007
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1 (e) On the effective date of this act, of the amount of moneys
2 appropriated and reappropriated for the above agency for the fiscal year
3 ending June 30, 2025, by section 77(a) of chapter 88 of the 2024 Session
4 Laws of Kansas from the state general fund in the lab equipment
5 replacement account (264-00-1000-0800), the sum of \$429,385 is hereby
6 lapsed.

7 Sec. 79.

8 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT –
9 DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH

10 (a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general
11 fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the following:

12 Operating expenditures (including official
13 hospitality) (264-00-1000-0202).....\$6,103,147

14 *Provided*, That any unencumbered balance in the operating expenditures
15 (including official hospitality) account in excess of \$100 as of June 30,
16 2025, is hereby reappropriated for fiscal year 2026.

17 Operating expenditures (including official
18 hospitality) – health (264-00-1000-0270).....\$8,652,080

8,748,080

19 *Provided*, That any unencumbered balance in the operating expenditures
20 (including official hospitality) – health account in excess of \$100 as of
21 June 30, 2025, is hereby reappropriated for fiscal year 2026.

22 Aid to local units (264-00-1000-0350).....\$8,249,202

23 *Provided*, That any unencumbered balance in the aid to local units account
24 in excess of \$100 as of June 30, 2025, is hereby reappropriated for fiscal
25 year 2026: *Provided further*, That, except as provided in subsection (k), all
26 expenditures from this account for state financial assistance to local health
27 departments shall be in accordance with the formula prescribed by K.S.A.
28 65-241 through 65-246, and amendments thereto.

29 Aid to local units – primary
30 health projects (264-00-1000-0460).....\$18,750,690

31 *Provided*, That any unencumbered balance in the aid to local units –
32 primary health projects account in excess of \$100 as of June 30, 2025, is
33 hereby reappropriated for fiscal year 2026: *Provided further*, That
34 prescription support expenditures shall be made from the aid to local units
35 – primary health projects account for: (1) Purchasing drug inventory under
36 section 340B of the federal public health service act for community health
37 center grantees and federally qualified health center look-alikes who
38 qualify; (2) increasing access to prescription drugs by subsidizing a
39 portion of the costs for the benefit of patients at section 340B participating
40 clinics on a sliding fee scale; and (3) expanding access to prescription
41 medication assistance programs by making expenditures to support
42 operating costs of assistance programs: *And provided further*, That funded
43 clinics shall be not-for-profit or publicly funded primary care clinics or

: Provided further, That expenditures in an amount of not to exceed \$96,000 shall be made by the above agency from such account for fiscal year 2026 to provide for efforts to control and prevent transmission of tuberculosis, including screening, diagnosis and treatment.

Current Tuberculosis (TB) Outbreak in Wyandotte County

- The ongoing TB outbreak in Wyandotte County will exceed **\$2 million** in expenses, including staffing, supplies, and essential medications. This is from June 2024-June 2025
- Last year, the CDC provided **\$750,000** in extra funding, but it had to be used before 2025 and was allocated specifically for this outbreak.
- The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) is preparing an **additional budget request exceeding \$1 million** for CDC approval, if permitted.
- Prices for **routine TB medications** have **increased over 500% without notice**, making patient recovery more costly and challenging.

Imminent Measles Threat

- A **measles outbreak is a close threat to Kansas**, bringing **another large financial burden** on public health resources.
- The **2018-2019 measles outbreak in Clark County, Washington**, which involved **72 cases**, cost **\$2.3 million** in public health response efforts.

Public Health Funding Challenges

- Disease outbreaks are unpredictable and impose **significant financial burdens** on both state and local health departments.
- **Neither state nor local agencies have a designated emergency fund** for outbreaks, making it difficult to respond efficiently.
- Supporting the increase funding for TB control efforts of \$96,000 would help ensure a rapid and effective response to future outbreaks.