

GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

Appropriations Report

AGENCY OVERVIEW

The Governmental Ethics Commission is charged with administering, interpreting, and enforcing the Campaign Finance Act and laws relating to conflicts of interest, financial disclosure, and the regulation of lobbying. These laws establish the public's right to information about the financial affairs of Kansas' public officials, lobbyists, and candidates for state and local office. The Commission also renders advisory opinions and can adopt rules and regulations.

BUDGET ITEMS

	Agency		LBC (HB 2007, as Introduced)		Final Approved (SB 125)	
	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds
FY 2025						
Approved						
Approved Budget	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603
<i>Subtotal – Approved</i>	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$ 554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603
Reappropriation						
1. SGF Reappropriation	\$5,266	\$5,266	\$5,266	\$5,266	\$5,266	\$5,266
<i>Subtotal – Reappropriation</i>	\$5,266	\$5,266	\$ 5,266	\$5,266	\$5,266	\$5,266
TOTAL	\$560,050	\$863,869	\$560,050	\$863,869	\$560,050	\$863,869
FY 2026						
Approved						
Approved Budget	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603
<i>Subtotal – Approved</i>	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$ 554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603
Enhancement						
2. Additional Personnel and Office Relocation	\$227,907	\$227,907	-	-	-	-
3. Statewide SGF Operations Lapse	-	-	-	-	(\$8,403)	(\$8,403)
4. 2025 Pay Plan	-	-	-	-	\$14,939	\$19,023
<i>Subtotal – Enhancement</i>	\$227,907	\$227,907	-	-	\$6,536	\$10,620
Other Changes						
All Other Adjustments	\$5,407	\$19,952	\$5,407	\$19,952	\$5,407	\$19,952
<i>Subtotal – Other Changes</i>	\$5,407	\$19,952	\$ 5,407	\$19,952	\$5,407	\$19,952
TOTAL	\$788,098	\$1,106,462	\$560,191	\$878,555	\$566,727	\$889,175
FY 2027						
Approved						
Approved Budget	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603
<i>Subtotal – Approved</i>	\$554,784	\$858,603	\$ 554,784	\$858,603	\$554,784	\$858,603
Enhancement						
2. Additional Personnel and Office Relocation	\$218,887	\$218,887	-	-	-	-
<i>Subtotal – Enhancement</i>	\$218,887	\$218,887	-	-	-	-

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	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds
Other Changes						
All Other Adjustments	\$5,407	\$31,941	\$5,407	\$31,941	-	\$26,534
<i>Subtotal – Other Changes</i>	<i>\$5,407</i>	<i>\$31,941</i>	<i>\$ 5,407</i>	<i>\$31,941</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>\$26,534</i>
TOTAL	\$779,078	\$1,109,431	\$560,191	\$890,544	\$554,784	\$885,137

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1. SGF Reappropriation

FY 2025

Agency: The agency reappropriated \$5,266 in unspent SGF moneys into FY 2025.

LBC: Concur with the Agency.

House: Concur with the LBC.

Senate: Concur with the House.

Conference: Concur with the Senate.

Final Approved*: The agency reappropriated \$5,266 in unspent SGF moneys into FY 2025.

2. Additional Personnel and Office Relocation

FY 2026

Agency: Add \$227,907, all from SGF and 2.0 FTE, for a compliance attorney and an auditor, a new office space, one-time moving costs, and the deletion of \$8,500 from eliminating the conflict counsel contract for FY 2026.

LBC: Delete \$236,407 SGF and 2.0 FTE positions not to add one Compliance Attorney and one Auditor, additional office space, one-time moving costs, and add \$8,500 SGF to keep the conflict counsel contract, for a total deletion of \$227,907 SGF for FY 2026.

House: Concur with the LBC.

Senate: Concur with the House.

Conference: Concur with the Senate.

Final Approved*: This item was not included in SB 125, as enacted.

FY 2027

Agency: Add \$218,887, all from SGF and 2.0 FTE, for a compliance attorney and an auditor, a new office space, and the deletion of \$8,500 from eliminating the conflict counsel contract for FY 2027.

LBC: Delete \$227,387 SGF and 2.0 FTE positions not to add one Compliance Attorney and one Auditor, additional office space, and add \$8,500 SGF to keep the conflict counsel contract, for a total deletion of \$218,887 SGF for FY 2027.

House: Concur with the LBC.

Senate: Concur with the House.

Conference: Concur with the Senate.

Final Approved*: This item was not included in SB 125, as enacted.

3. Statewide SGF Operations Lapse

FY 2026

Agency: N/A

LBC: N/A

House: N/A

Senate: N/A

Conference: Delete \$8,403 SGF to lapse 1.5 percent of SGF operating expenditures statewide for FY 2026.

Final Approved*: Delete \$8,403 SGF to lapse 1.5 percent of SGF operating expenditures statewide for FY 2026.

4. 2025 Pay Plan

FY 2026

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Agency: N/A

LBC: N/A

House: N/A

Senate: N/A

Conference: Add \$19,023, including \$14,939 SGF, to provide salary increases for most state employees based on the Department of Administration's market survey for FY 2026.

Final Approved*: Add \$19,023, including \$14,939 SGF, to provide salary increases for most state employees based on the Department of Administration's market survey for FY 2026.

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