

2023 Kansas Statutes

75-5968. 988 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline fund established; use of moneys; transfer of moneys from state general fund. (a) There is hereby established in the state treasury the 988 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline fund to be administered by the secretary for aging and disability services. Moneys received from any public or private entity for the purposes of the fund shall be credited to such fund.

(b) On or before the 10th day of each month, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer from the state general fund to the 988 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline fund, interest earnings based on:

(1) The average daily balance of moneys in the 988 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline fund for the preceding month; and

(2) the net earnings rate of the pooled money investment portfolio for the preceding month.

(c) (1) Moneys credited to the fund shall be used only to pay expenses that are reasonably attributed to:

(A) Ensuring the efficient and effective routing of calls made to the 988 national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline to an appropriate crisis center; and

(B) personnel and the provision of acute mental health services, the provision of mobile crisis response services, including, but not limited to, services for those persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities and persons with behavioral health needs, crisis outreach and stabilization services by directly responding to the 988 national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline, public promotion, data collection and reporting.

(2) Moneys credited to the fund shall not be used to pay expenses that are attributed to persons or entities who are domiciled outside of this state.

(d) All expenditures from the fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary or the secretary's designee.

(e) Moneys in the 988 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline fund shall be used for the purposes set forth in this section and for no other governmental purposes. It is the intent of the legislature that the fund shall remain intact and inviolate for the purposes set forth in this section, and moneys in the fund shall not be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3722, 75-3725a and 75-3726a, and amendments thereto.

(f) (1) On July 1, 2022, and on each July 1 thereafter, except as provided in paragraph (2), the director of accounts and reports shall transfer \$10,000,000 from the state general fund to the 988 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline fund.

(2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter, the secretary for aging and disability services, in consultation with the director of the budget, shall certify at the end of each such fiscal year the amount of the unencumbered ending balance of moneys in the 988 suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline fund and shall transmit such certification to the director of accounts and reports and the director of legislative research. Upon receipt of such certification, the director of accounts and reports shall reduce the amount of the demand transfer required to be made pursuant to paragraph (1) for the fiscal year following such certification by such certified amount.

History: L. 2022, ch. 100, § 5; July 1.