

1 (A) Carry out the commission's obligations established in 47 U.S.C.
2 §§ 251 and 252;

3 (B) implement rules delegated to the state by the federal
4 communications commission or federal law; or

5 (C) regulate intrastate switched access rates, terms and conditions,
6 including the implementation of federal law concerning intercarrier
7 compensation.

8 (3) The commission shall retain the authority and jurisdiction to:

9 (A) Carry out the commission's obligations pursuant to the
10 underground utilities damage prevention act, K.S.A. 66-1801 et seq., and
11 amendments thereto, and the overhead power line accident prevention act,
12 K.S.A. 66-1709 et seq., and amendments thereto;

13 (B) require the reasonable resale of retail telecommunications
14 services, as well as unbundling and interconnection obligations as required
15 by K.S.A. 66-2003, and amendments thereto;

16 (C) administer the Kansas lifeline service program pursuant to K.S.A.
17 66-2006, and amendments thereto;

18 (D) administer contributions to the Kansas universal service fund
19 pursuant to ~~subsection (4) of~~ K.S.A. 66-2008(a), and amendments thereto;

20 (E) assess costs and expenses pursuant to K.S.A. 66-1501 et seq., and
21 amendments thereto, but the commission shall not use this authority to
22 regulate telecommunications carriers or electing carriers beyond the
23 jurisdiction provided the commission in this subsection;

24 (F) request information from telecommunications carriers and
25 electing carriers pursuant to K.A.R. 82-1-234a(b) and subject to the
26 provisions of K.A.R. 82-1-221a and K.S.A. 66-1220a, and amendments
27 thereto, but the commission shall not use this authority to regulate
28 telecommunications carriers or electing carriers beyond the jurisdiction
29 provided the commission in this subsection; and

30 (G) administer consumer complaints against telecommunications
31 carriers and electing carriers to investigate fraud, undue discrimination and
32 other practices harmful to consumers, but the commission shall not use
33 this authority to regulate telecommunications carriers or electing carriers
34 beyond the jurisdiction provided the commission in this subsection.

35 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 66-2008 is hereby amended to read as
36 follows: 66-2008. On or before January 1, 1997, the commission shall
37 establish the Kansas universal service fund, hereinafter referred to as the
38 KUSF.

39 (a) The commission shall require every telecommunications carrier,
40 telecommunications public utility and wireless telecommunications service
41 provider that provides intrastate telecommunications services and, to the
42 extent not prohibited by federal law, every provider of interconnected VoIP
43 service, as defined by 47 C.F.R. § 9.3 (October 1, 2005), to contribute to

47 C.F.R. 9.3

1 the KUSF ~~on an equitable and nondiscriminatory basis.~~ Any
2 telecommunications carrier, telecommunications public utility, wireless
3 telecommunications service provider or provider of interconnected VoIP
4 service which contributes to the KUSF may collect from customers an
5 amount equal to such carrier's, utility's or provider's contribution, but such
6 carrier, provider or utility may collect a lesser amount from its customer.
7 Any contributions in excess of distributions collected in any reporting
8 year shall be applied to reduce the estimated contribution that would
9 otherwise be necessary for the following year.

10 (b) Pursuant to the federal act, distributions from the KUSF shall be
11 made in a competitively neutral manner to qualified telecommunications
12 public utilities, telecommunications carriers and wireless
13 telecommunications providers, that are deemed eligible both under
14 subsection (e)(1) of section 214 of the federal act and by the commission.

15 (c) Beginning January 1, 2014:

16 (1) Annual distributions from the KUSF for a local exchange carrier
17 subject to price cap regulation pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2005, and
18 amendments thereto, shall be capped at the lesser of:

19 (A) 90% of KUSF support the carrier received for the 12-month
20 period ending February 28, 2013; or

21 (B) \$11,400,000.

22 The amounts prescribed in subparagraph (A) or (B) shall not include
23 KUSF support for Kansas lifeline service program purposes, pursuant to
24 K.S.A. 66-2006, and amendments thereto.

25 (2) Local exchange carriers subject to price cap regulation pursuant to
26 K.S.A. 66-2005, and amendments thereto, shall not receive KUSF support
27 for any residential or business lines within an exchange that the
28 commission has granted price deregulation pursuant to ~~subsections (4)(1)~~
29 ~~(B)-(E) or (D) of K.S.A. 66-2005(g)(1)(B), (C) or (D),~~ and amendments
30 thereto, except for areas within any census block in such an exchange in
31 which there is no wireline carrier providing local exchange access lines
32 that does not receive KUSF support, not including KUSF support for
33 Kansas lifeline service program purposes pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2006, and
34 amendments thereto, for such access lines.

35 (3) Local exchange carriers subject to price cap regulation pursuant to
36 K.S.A. 66-2005, and amendments thereto, shall receive the same per line,
37 per month KUSF support as established in the April 13, 2000 notice in
38 commission docket numbers 99-GIMT-326-GIT and 00-GIMT-236-GIT
39 subject to the cap percentage in subsection (c)(1), not including KUSF
40 support for Kansas lifeline service program purposes pursuant to K.S.A.
41 66-2006, and amendments thereto, except that the amount shall be reduced
42 by any funding received by such carrier from the federal communication
43 commission's connect America fund II for the same household, if feasible,

based upon the provider's
intra-state telecommunications
services net retail revenues

The commission shall not
require any provider to
contribute to the KUSF
under a different
contribution methodology
than such provider uses for
purposes of the federal
universal service fund,
including for bundled
offerings.