

HOUSE BILL No. 2235

By Committee on Social Services Budget

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1 AN ACT concerning executive branch state employment; relating to tax
2 clearance certificates for job applicants and employees; when required.

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

5 Section 1. (a) No applicant for a job with the state or any agency
6 thereof shall be required to obtain or provide proof of a tax clearance
7 certificate from the department of revenue as part of an employment
8 application.

9 (b) If an applicant is hired by any agency in the executive branch of
10 the state, the employee must apply for a tax clearance certificate from the
11 department of revenue within 15 days of the employee's hire date. The tax
12 clearance process will review whether the employee is current and
13 compliant with all Kansas tax laws administered by the department of
14 revenue; taxes, fees or payments administered by the department of labor;
15 and other various fees or charges administered by any other state agency.

16 (c) Documents, materials or other information obtained by or
17 disclosed to the department of revenue for the purpose of obtaining a tax
18 clearance certificate and the results of the tax compliance review shall be
19 confidential and shall not be subject to disclosure under the Kansas open
20 records act. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2024,
21 unless the legislature reviews and reenacts this provision pursuant to
22 K.S.A. 45-229, and amendments thereto, prior to July 1, 2024.

23 (d) If the employee cannot provide proof of a tax compliance
24 certificate, the employee shall enter into a payment plan with the
25 department of revenue and remain current on such payment plan as a
26 condition of continued employment.

27 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
28 publication in the statute book.