

As Amended by House Committee

Session of 2014

HOUSE BILL No. 2429

By Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations

1-13

1 AN ACT concerning the Kansas water appropriation act; amending K.S.A.
2 2013 Supp. 82a-741 and repealing the existing section.

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

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 82a-741 is hereby amended to read as
6 follows: 82a-741. (a) The chief engineer may administer a water rights
7 conservation program. An eligible water right in good standing may be
8 enrolled in the program, subject to the approval of the chief engineer.

9 (b) A water right may be enrolled in the program for a period that
10 shall not exceed 10 years. A water right enrolled in the program may be re-
11 enrolled within two years of the expiration date of the previous enrollment
12 period, subject to the approval of the chief engineer.

13 (c) Each application for enrollment in the program and each
14 application for renewal of enrollment shall include a non-refundable fee
15 not to exceed \$300.

16 (d) All fees collected by the chief engineer pursuant to this section
17 shall be remitted to the state treasurer as provided in K.S.A. 82a-731, and
18 amendments thereto.

19 (e) The chief engineer shall adopt rules and regulations to effectuate
20 and administer the provisions of this section.

21 (f) *This section shall be part of and supplemental to the Kansas water*
22 *appropriation act.*

23 (g) *All rules and regulations adopted on and after January 1, 2014,*
24 *and prior to July 1, 2014, pertaining to ~~water conservation districts~~the*
25 **water rights conservation program shall continue to be effective and**
26 **shall be deemed to be duly adopted rules and regulations of the ~~secretary~~**
27 **of ~~agriculture~~chief engineer until revised, amended, revoked or nullified**
28 **pursuant to law.**

29 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 82a-741 is hereby repealed.

30 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
31 publication in the statute book.