HOUSE BILL No. 2439

By Legislative Post Audit Committee

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AN ACT concerning the legislative division of post audit; removing the requirement to submit certain reports thereto; amending K.S.A. 22-4514a, 75-3728c, 76-721 and 79-3233b and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 22-4514a is hereby amended to read as follows: 22-4514a. (a) Any nonprofit corporation, organized under the laws of the state of Kansas for the purpose of providing legal services to indigent inmates of Kansas correctional institutions may submit its annual operating budget for the next fiscal year of the state, including salaries and all other expenses of operation, to the state board of indigents' defense services. Such budget shall set forth the maximum obligation of financial aid and contributions proposed for payment by the state board of indigents' defense services and the availability of any additional funds from the federal government and other sources to meet such operating costs.

- (b) If such budget is approved by the state board of indigents' defense services, on July 1 of the next fiscal year the amount of the maximum obligation of financial aid to be paid by the state board of indigents' defense services as set forth in the approved budget may then be paid in a lump sum to the corporation.
- (c) After the end of the fiscal year any such nonprofit corporation shall furnish to the post auditor and the director of the budget an audited statement of actual expenditures incurred to the director of the budget. Any balance remaining unused shall be applied to the next budget for the purposes specified in this section.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-3728c is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-3728c. (a) Thirty (30) days from the date the director of accounts and reports authorizes the write-off of any accounts receivable or taxes receivable, the director shall certify to the legislative post audit committee a summary of all such receivables which are written off.
- (b)—The secretary of administration shall adopt rules and regulations as provided in K.S.A. 75-3706, and amendments thereto, specifying the conditions which that shall apply to the write-off of accounts receivable and taxes receivable. Any such rule and regulation may apply generally or be limited to receivables of certain state agencies or institutions or to

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certain classes of receivables.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 76-721 is hereby amended to read as follows: 76-721. The board of regents, or any state educational institution with the approval of the board of regents, may enter into contracts with any party or parties including any agency of the United States or any state or any subdivision of any state or with any person, partnership or corporation if the purpose of such contract is related to the operation or function of such board or institution. If such contract is with a corporation whose operations are substantially controlled by the board or any state educational institution, such contract shall provide that the books and records of such corporation shall be public records and shall require an annual audit by an independent certified public accountant to be furnished to the board of regents and filed with the state agency in charge of post auditing state expenditures. All contracts of state educational institutions shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3711b, and amendments thereto.

- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 79-3233b is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3233b. (a) The secretary shall maintain a record of each abatement that reduces a final tax liability by \$5,000 or more. Such record shall contain: (1) The name and address of the taxpayer, and the petitioner, if different; (2) the disputed tax liability including penalty and interest; (3) the taxpayer's grounds for contesting the liability together with all supporting evidence; (4) all staff recommendations, reports and audits; (5) the reasons for, conditions to, and the amount of the abatement; and (6) the payment made, if any. Such records shall be maintained by the department for nine years.
- (b) The secretary shall make an annual report that identifies the taxpayer, summarizes the issues and the reasons for abatement, and states the amount of liability that was abated pursuant to this section for each abatement that reduced a final tax liability by \$5,000 or more. The secretary shall file the report with the secretary of state, the division of post audit of the legislature and the attorney general on or before September 30 of each year. Any other provision of law notwithstanding, the secretary shall make the annual report available for public inspection upon written request.
- (e) In order to express the intent of the legislature upon first-enactment of this section, the provisions of this section and amendments enacted herein shall be effective retroactively to the original enactment of this section on and after July 1, 1999.
- 39 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 22-4514a, 75-3728c, 76-721 and 79-3233b are hereby repealed.
 - Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.