

# OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

## Appropriations Report

### AGENCY OVERVIEW

The Office of the Secretary of State was created by Article 1, § 1 of the Kansas Constitution. The Secretary of State (Secretary) is an elected official who serves a four-year term. The Secretary is authorized to appoint an Assistant Secretary of State and up to five deputy assistant secretaries. The Kansas Constitution requires the Secretary to countersign commissions of the Governor, file declarations of candidacies, file and index charter ordinances, and publish regulations for constitutional amendments. The Office of the Secretary of State is charged with many other responsibilities, including administering elections, collecting certain records of Kansas businesses, and publishing the official publications for the State of Kansas, including the Kansas Statutes Annotated (KSA) and its supplements and the Session Laws of Kansas.

### BUDGET ITEMS

	Agency		LBC (HB 2007, as Introduced)		Final Approved (SB 125)	
	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds
<b>FY 2025</b>						
<b>Approved</b>						
Approved Budget	-	\$7,076,569	-	\$7,076,569	-	\$7,076,569
<i>Subtotal – Approved</i>	-	\$7,076,569	-	\$7,076,569	-	\$7,076,569
<b>Enhancement</b>						
1. Regulation Modernization	-	-	-	-	-	\$1,500,000
2. State Match for HAVA Grant	-	-	-	-	\$200,000	\$200,000
<i>Subtotal – Enhancement</i>	-	-	-	-	\$200,000	\$1,700,000
<b>Other Changes</b>						
3. Contractual Services	-	\$638,491	-	\$638,491	-	\$638,491
4. HAVA Aid Payments	-	\$800,000	-	\$800,000	-	\$800,000
5. Salaries and Wages	-	\$134,869	-	\$134,869	-	\$134,869
All Other Adjustments	-	(\$30,700)	-	(\$30,700)	-	(\$30,700)
<i>Subtotal – Other Changes</i>	-	\$1,542,660	-	\$1,542,660	-	\$1,542,660
<b>TOTAL</b>	-	<b>\$8,619,229</b>	-	<b>\$8,619,229</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>	<b>\$10,319,229</b>
<b>FY 2026</b>						
<b>Approved</b>						
Approved Budget	-	\$7,076,569	-	\$7,076,569	-	\$7,076,569
<i>Subtotal – Approved</i>	-	\$7,076,569	-	\$7,076,569	-	\$7,076,569
<b>Enhancement</b>						
6. 2025 Pay Plan	-	-	-	-	-	\$90,203
<i>Subtotal – Enhancement</i>	-	-	-	-	-	\$90,203
<b>Other Changes</b>						
3. Contractual Services	-	\$805,786	-	\$805,786	-	\$805,786
4. HAVA Aid payments	-	\$500,000	-	\$500,000	-	\$500,000
5. Salaries and Wages	-	\$285,215	-	\$285,215	-	\$285,215

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	Agency		LBC (HB 2007, as Introduced)		Final Approved (SB 125)	
	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds
All Other Adjustments	-	(\$51,600)	-	(\$51,600)	-	(\$51,600)
<i>Subtotal – Other Changes</i>	-	\$1,539,401	-	\$1,539,401	-	\$1,539,401
<b>TOTAL</b>	-	<b>\$8,615,970</b>	-	<b>\$8,615,970</b>	-	<b>\$8,706,173</b>

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### 1. Regulation Modernization

FY 2025

**Agency:** N/A

**LBC:** N/A

**House:** Add \$1.5 million from the Technology Communication Fee Fund to modernize the state regulation-making process by implementing an electronic regulation system in FY 2025.

**Senate:** Delete \$1.5 million, all from the Technology Communication Fee Fund, to transfer \$1.5 million, all from ARPA interest, to modernize the state regulation-making process by implementing an electronic regulation system in FY 2025.

**Conference:** Add \$1.5 million from the Technology Communication Fee Fund to modernize the state regulation-making process by implementing an electronic regulation system in FY 2025.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$1.5 million from the Technology Communication Fee Fund to modernize the state regulation-making process by implementing an electronic regulation system in FY 2025.

### 2. State Match for HAVA Grant

FY 2025

**Agency:** N/A

**LBC:** N/A

**House:** Add \$200,000 SGF to meet the 20 percent state match requirement for the HAVA Election Security Grant in FY 2025.

**Senate:** Concur with the House.

**Conference:** Concur with the Senate.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$200,000 SGF to meet the 20 percent state match requirement for the HAVA Election Security Grant in FY 2025.

### 3. Contractual Services

FY 2025

**Agency:** Add \$638,491, all from special revenue funds, for contractual services expenditures, including software rental and subscriptions, repairing and servicing fees, printing and advertising, and professional services in FY 2025.

**LBC:** Concur with the Agency.

**House:** Concur with the LBC.

**Senate:** Concur with the House.

**Conference:** Concur with the Senate.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$638,491, all from special revenue funds, for contractual services expenditures, including software rental and subscriptions, repairing and servicing fees, printing and advertising, and professional services in FY 2025.

FY 2026

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**Agency:** Add \$805,786, all from special revenue funds, for contractual services expenditures, including rents, repairing and serving fees, and printing and advertising services for FY 2026.

**LBC:** Concur with the Agency.

**House:** Concur with the LBC.

**Senate:** Concur with the House.

**Conference:** Concur with the Senate.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$805,786, all from special revenue funds, for contractual services expenditures, including rents, repairing and serving fees, and printing and advertising services for FY 2026.

### 4. HAVA Aid Payments

#### FY 2025

**Agency:** Add \$800,000, all from special revenue funds, for HAVA aid payments to assist counties in enhancing their election cybersecurity measures in FY 2025.

**LBC:** Concur with the Agency.

**House:** Concur with the LBC.

**Senate:** Concur with the House.

**Conference:** Concur with the Senate.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$800,000, all from special revenue funds, for HAVA aid payments to assist counties in enhancing their election cybersecurity measures in FY 2025.

#### FY 2026

**Agency:** Add \$500,000, all from federal HAVA Election Security Funds, for HAVA aid payments to assist counties in enhancing their election cybersecurity measures for FY 2026.

**LBC:** Concur with the Agency.

**House:** Concur with the LBC.

**Senate:** Concur with the House.

**Conference:** Concur with the Senate.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$500,000, all from federal HAVA Election Security Funds, for HAVA aid payments to assist counties in enhancing their election cybersecurity measures for FY 2026.

### 5. Salaries and Wages

#### FY 2025

**Agency:** Add \$134,869, all from special revenue funds, for salaries and wages, and add 1.6 FTE positions in FY 2025.

**LBC:** Concur with the Agency.

**House:** Concur with the LBC.

**Senate:** Concur with the House.

**Conference:** Concur with the Senate.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$134,869, all from special revenue funds, for salaries and wages, and add 1.6 FTE positions in FY 2025.

#### FY 2026

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**Agency:** Add \$285,215, all from special revenue funds, for salaries and wages, and 1.6 FTE for FY 2026.

**LBC:** Concur with the Agency.

**House:** Concur with the LBC.

**Senate:** Concur with the House.

**Conference:** Concur with the Senate.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$285,215, all from special revenue funds, for salaries and wages, and 1.6 FTE for FY 2026.

## 6. 2025 Pay Plan

### FY 2026

**Agency:** N/A

**LBC:** N/A

**House:** N/A

**Senate:** N/A

**Conference:** Add \$90,203 to provide salary increases for most state employees based on the Department of Administration's market survey for FY 2026.

**Final Approved\*:** Add \$90,203 to provide salary increases for most state employees based on the Department of Administration's market survey for FY 2026.

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