

STATE LIBRARY

Budget Committee Report

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Executive Summary

Summary of Total Expenditures, FY 2023 – FY 2027					
	SGF	All Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	
FY 2023 Actual	\$ 4,016,536	\$ 1,849,578	\$ 5,866,114	29.5	
FY 2024 Actual	3,981,176	1,926,272	5,907,448	29.5	
FY 2025 Actual	5,115,688	2,039,216	7,154,904	29.5	
FY 2026					
Approved, with Reappropriations	\$ 4,714,628	\$ 2,122,385	\$ 6,837,013	29.5	
Agency Revised Estimate	4,714,628	2,077,593	6,792,221	29.5	
Special Committee on the State Budget	4,590,497	2,077,593	6,668,090	29.5	
House Committee of the Whole	4,714,628	2,077,593	6,792,221	29.5	
Senate Committee of the Whole	4,601,164	2,077,593	6,678,757	29.5	
Legislative Approved	4,588,898	2,077,593	6,666,491	29.5	
Governor's Recommendation	4,714,628	2,077,593	6,792,221	29.5	
FY 2027					
FY 2026 Approved, without Reappropriations	\$ 4,590,497	\$ 2,122,385	\$ 6,712,882	29.5	
Agency Request	5,187,538	2,173,086	7,360,624	29.5	
Special Committee on the State Budget	4,607,888	2,173,086	6,780,974	29.5	
House Committee of the Whole	4,607,888	2,173,086	6,780,974	29.5	
Senate Committee of the Whole	5,026,538	2,173,086	7,199,624	29.5	
Legislative Approved	4,993,668	2,174,098	7,167,766	29.5	
Governor's Recommendation	5,090,888	2,173,086	7,263,974	29.5	

The State Library has served the state since 1855 and has existed in its present form since 1963 with the passage of the State Library Act¹ (Act). Under the Act, the agency is empowered to assist library development throughout the state and to provide library and information extension services to all residents of the state who do not have access to library services. Additionally, the State Library provides and promotes library and information services to legislators and state government officials.

The mission of the State Library is to provide library and information services to the executive and legislative branches of state government and to deliver 21st-century library services and resources to all Kansas residents.

¹ [KSA 75-2534](#) et seq.

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FY 2026

Summary of Legislative Recommendations, FY 2026					
	SGF		All Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions
Approved, with Reappropriations	\$	4,714,628	\$	2,122,385	\$ 6,837,013 29.5
Agency Revised Estimate		4,714,628		2,077,593	6,792,221 29.5
Special Committee on the State Budget (SBC)					
Change from Agency Revised Estimate	\$	(124,131)	\$	-	\$ (124,131) -
TOTAL – Special Committee	\$	4,590,497	\$	2,077,593	\$ 6,668,090 29.5
House Committees					
Higher Education Budget	\$	124,131	\$	-	\$ 124,131 -
Appropriations		-		-	- -
Committee of the Whole		-		-	- -
Subtotal – House Change from SBC	\$	124,131	\$	-	\$ 124,131 -
TOTAL – Current House Position	\$	4,714,628	\$	2,077,593	\$ 6,792,221 29.5
Senate Committees					
Ways and Means [Higher Education]	\$	-	\$	-	\$ - -
Ways and Means		10,667		-	10,667 -
Committee of the Whole		-		-	- -
Subtotal – Senate Change from SBC	\$	10,667	\$	-	\$ 10,667 -
TOTAL – Current Senate Position	\$	4,601,164	\$	2,077,593	\$ 6,678,757 29.5
Legislative Approved					
Conference Committee	\$	10,667	\$	-	\$ 10,667 -
Governor's Vetoes		-		-	- -
Veto Overrides		-		-	- -
Certifications		(12,266)		-	(12,266) -
Subtotal – Approved Change from SBC	\$	(1,599)	\$	-	\$ (1,599) -
GRAND TOTAL – Final Approved	\$	4,588,898	\$	2,077,593	\$ 6,666,491 29.5

Agency

The **agency** requests a revised estimate of \$6.8 million, including \$4.7 million SGF, and 29.5 FTE positions. This is an increase of \$79,339, or 1.2 percent, above the approved by the 2025 Legislature, largely due to the \$126,021 SGF reappropriation for operating expenditures in FY 2026.

Special Committee on the State Budget

The **Special Committee** concurs with the agency's revised estimate in FY 2026 with the following adjustments:

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1. Delete \$124,131 SGF reappropriation for operating expenditures in FY 2026. This includes the following reappropriations: Grants to Libraries/Library System (\$108,941), Talking Books (\$4,523), and the Blind Information Access Program (\$10,667).

House Committees

House Committee on Higher Education Budget

The **House Budget Committee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation in FY 2026 with the following adjustments:

1. Add \$124,131 SGF to fully restore the reappropriation for operating expenditures in FY 2026. This includes the following: Grants to Libraries/Library System (\$108,941), Talking Books (\$4,523), and the Blind Information Access Program (\$10,667).

House Committee on Appropriations

The **House Committee** concurs with the House Budget Committee's recommendation in FY 2026.

House Committee of the Whole

The **House Committee of the Whole** concurs with the House Committee's recommendation in FY 2026.

Senate Committees

Senate Committee on Ways and Means - Higher Education

The **Senate Subcommittee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation in FY 2026.

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The **Senate Committee on Ways and Means** concurs with the Senate Subcommittee's recommendation in FY 2026 with the following adjustments:

1. Add \$10,667 SGF to fully restore the operating expenditures reappropriation for the Blind Information Access Program in FY 2026.

Senate Committee of the Whole

The **Senate Committee of the Whole** concurs with the Senate Committee's recommendation in FY 2026.

Conference Committee

The **Conference Committee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation in FY 2026.

Legislative Approved

HB 2513 authorized the following statewide adjustments which were certified following the conclusion of the 2026 Session:

1. Delete \$12,266 SGF to eliminate funding for positions which have been vacant for at least 60 calendar days in FY 2026.

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FY 2027

Summary of Legislative Recommendations, FY 2027					
	SGF	All Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	
FY 2026 Approved, without Reappropriations	\$ 4,590,497	\$ 2,122,385	\$ 6,712,882	29.5	
Agency Request	5,187,538	2,173,086	7,360,624	29.5	
Special Committee on the State Budget (SBC)					
Change from Agency Request	\$ (579,650)	\$ -	\$ (579,650)	-	
TOTAL – Special Committee	\$ 4,607,888	\$ 2,173,086	\$ 6,780,974	29.5	
House Committees					
Higher Education Budget	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	
Appropriations	-	-	-	-	
Committee of the Whole	-	-	-	-	
Subtotal – House Change from SBC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	
TOTAL – Current House Position	\$ 4,607,888	\$ 2,173,086	\$ 6,780,974	29.5	
Senate Committees					
Ways and Means [Higher Education]	\$ 418,650	\$ -	\$ 418,650	-	
Ways and Means	-	-	-	-	
Committee of the Whole	-	-	-	-	
Subtotal – Senate Change from SBC	\$ 418,650	\$ -	\$ 418,650	-	
TOTAL – Current Senate Position	\$ 5,026,538	\$ 2,173,086	\$ 7,199,624	29.5	
Legislative Approved					
Conference Committee	\$ 418,650	\$ -	\$ 418,650	-	
Governor's Vetoes	-	-	-	-	
Veto Overrides	-	-	-	-	
Certifications	(32,870)	1,012	(31,858)	-	
Subtotal – Approved Change from SBC	\$ 385,780	\$ 1,012	\$ 386,792	-	
GRAND TOTAL – Final Approved	\$ 4,993,668	\$ 2,174,098	\$ 7,167,766	29.5	

Agency

The **agency** requests \$7.4 million, including \$5.2 million SGF, and 29.5 FTE positions. This is an increase of \$647,742, or 9.6 percent, above the approved by the 2025 Legislature for FY 2026, largely due to the State Grants in Aid to Libraries enhancement of \$483,000 and the courier subsidy enhancement \$96,650.

Special Committee on the State Budget

The **Special Committee** concurs with the agency request for FY 2027 with the following adjustments:

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1. Delete \$96,650 SGF for aid to local libraries to subsidize the cost of a courier service that allows libraries to share materials for FY 2027.
2. Delete \$483,000 SGF for the State Grants-in-Aid to libraries for FY 2027. This includes funding to each legally established public library (\$322,000) and \$161,000 to each regional system of cooperating libraries for FY 2027.

House Committees

House Committee on Higher Education Budget

The **House Budget Committee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation for FY 2027.

House Committee on Appropriations

The **House Committee** concurs with the House Budget Committee's recommendation for FY 2027.

House Committee of the Whole

The **House Committee of the Whole** concurs with the House Committee's recommendation for FY 2027.

Senate Committees

Senate Committee on Ways and Means - Higher Education

The **Senate Subcommittee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation for FY 2027 with the following adjustments:

1. Add \$96,650 SGF for aid to local libraries to subsidize the cost of a courier service that allows libraries to share materials for FY 2027.
2. Add \$322,000 SGF for State Grants-in-Aid to libraries for FY 2027. This would include funding for each legally established public library for FY 2027.

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The **Senate Committee on Ways and Means** concurs with the Senate Subcommittee's recommendation for FY 2027 with the following adjustments:

1. Add language to the \$322,000 SGF for State Grants-in-Aid to libraries for FY 2027 to be distributed only to the local libraries and not the regional system. This would result in \$1,000 being given to each local library.

Senate Committee of the Whole

The **Senate Committee of the Whole** concurs with the Senate Committee's recommendation for FY 2027.

Conference Committee

The **Conference Committee** concurs with the Special Committee's recommendation for FY 2027, with the following adjustments:

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1. Add \$96,650 SGF for aid to local libraries to subsidize the cost of a courier service that allows libraries to share materials for FY 2027.
2. Add \$322,000 SGF for each legally established public library and add language to allocate \$1,000 to each of the 322 libraries.

Legislative Approved

HB 2513 authorized the following statewide adjustments which were certified following the conclusion of the 2026 Session:

1. Add \$16,220 including \$15,208 SGF, to implement the Executive Branch pay plan approved by the 2026 Legislature and certified by the State Finance Council for FY 2027.
2. Delete \$48,078 SGF to lapse 1.5 percent of state operations funded from the SGF for FY 2027. This lapse does not apply to SGF-financed operating expenditures for authorized contractual services, specific projects, or an identified program or entity.