

**74-622. Kansas energy office abolished; state corporation commission, successor; transfer of appropriations, records, employees; continuation of effect of rules and regulations and orders and directives.** (a) On July 1, 1983, the unexpended balances of any appropriations for and funds available to the Kansas energy office abolished under this act are hereby transferred to the state corporation commission to be used for the purpose of implementing the provisions of this act.

(b) On July 1, 1983, all records and property of the Kansas energy office abolished under this act are hereby transferred to and conferred and imposed upon the state corporation commission.

(c) Whenever the Kansas energy office, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by a contract, grant or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the state corporation commission. Whenever the director of the Kansas energy office, or words of like effect, is referred to or designated by a contract, grant or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the state corporation commission. All awards or grants made by the director of the Kansas energy office, which are in effect on July 1, 1983, shall continue to be effective for the duration of the period for which they were made, unless revised or nullified in accordance with law. All contracts entered into by the director of the Kansas energy office prior to July 1, 1983, and not fully executed on such date, shall remain in full force and effect until fully executed or until terminated or revoked in the manner provided in such contract or as is otherwise provided by law on the date of such contract.

(d) All rules and regulations and all orders and directives of the director of the Kansas energy office in existence immediately prior to the effective date of this act which relate to the powers, duties and functions imposed by law upon the state corporation commission shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be the rules and regulations and orders or directives of the state corporation commission, until revised, amended, repealed or nullified pursuant to law.

(e) Effective July 1, 1983, and subject to the provisions of appropriations acts, officers and employees who were officers and employees of the Kansas energy office and who were engaged immediately prior to that date in the performance of the same or similar powers, duties and functions which are transferred to or imposed upon the state corporation commission by this act, and who, in the opinion of the chairperson of the state corporation commission, are necessary to perform such powers, duties and functions shall become officers and employees of the state corporation commission, and shall retain all retirement benefits which such officer or employee had before July 1, 1983, and their services shall be deemed to have been continuous. All such officers and employees who become officers and employees of the state corporation commission under this section shall be in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act.

(f) The Kansas energy office is hereby abolished.

**History:** L. 1983, ch. 258, § 7; July 1.