

**65-242. State financial assistance to local health departments; computation of assistance.** For the purpose of insuring that adequate public health services are available to all inhabitants of the state of Kansas, the state shall assist in the financing of the operation of local health departments. Subject to appropriations therefor, state financial assistance shall be distributed to local health departments as follows:

(a) First, each local health department shall, upon application therefor, receive \$7,000. If sufficient funds are not available to make this distribution, then the funds which are available shall be divided equally among those local health departments making application therefor.

(b) Second, if any funds are available after the distribution required in subsection (a), the secretary shall distribute such funds as follows:

(1) A figure equal to the total amount of state financial assistance available for distribution, before deduction for the distribution in subsection (a), shall be determined.

(2) The figure determined in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be allocated to local health departments making application for assistance based on the proportion that the population of the county or counties comprising the local health department applying for such assistance bears to the total population of all counties comprising local health departments which have applied for such financial assistance.

(3) If any local health department making application for assistance would receive an amount equal to or less than \$7,000 using the formula in paragraph (2) of this subsection, then such department shall be paid in accordance with subsection (a) only. If any local health department making application for assistance would receive more than \$7,000 using the formula in paragraph (2) of this subsection, then such department shall be paid based on the proportion that the population served by the county or counties comprising such local health department bears to the total population of all counties comprising local health departments which have made application for assistance, except for departments receiving funds under subsection (a), except that in no case shall the assistance distributed under this subsection (b) to a local health department exceed the amount that the local health department receives from local tax revenues for the county fiscal year in which the state financial assistance is paid.

(c) If local tax revenues allotted to a local health department for a fiscal year fall below the level of local tax revenues allotted to the local health department for the preceding fiscal year, the amount of state financial assistance under this act for which such local health department is eligible for the fiscal year shall be reduced by a percentage equal to the percentage of reduction in local tax revenue for that fiscal year.

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