

75-3783. State capital improvement projects; powers and duties of secretary of administration, advice of state building advisory commission; construction data; design and construction standards; evaluation criteria; stop work orders; standards for inspection and acceptance of projects and for inspectors. (a) In addition to other powers and duties, and with the advice of the state building advisory commission, the secretary of administration shall:

(1) Collect and maintain current data on construction costs, including materials and labor, and the current and forecasted economic status and activity of the construction industry in the state;

(2) establish criteria and procedures to evaluate the qualifications and performance of contractors providing any architectural services, as defined in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 75-1251, and amendments thereto, engineering services, as defined in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 75-5802, and amendments thereto, and construction services for capital improvement projects for the construction of buildings or for major repairs or improvements to buildings for state agencies; and gather information on and evaluate the past and present performance of all such contractors on similar public and private projects;

(3) issue a written order, personally signed by the secretary, to the contractor stopping the progress of the work upon any project whenever the secretary determines that the work does not comply with contract documents; and

(4) develop and adopt standards, with the advice and assistance of the director of architectural services, for the inspection and acceptance of projects for the construction of buildings and major repairs and improvements to buildings for state agencies and for the qualifications of inspection personnel employed by state agencies.

(b) With the advice of the state building advisory commission, the secretary of administration may develop and adopt rules and regulations in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 77-415 et seq., and amendments thereto, establishing standards for planning, design and construction of buildings and major repairs and improvements to buildings for state agencies, which standards shall include energy conservation standards.

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