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### Governor Brownback Submits Fiscal Year 2013 Budget to Kansas Legislature

Kansas Governor Sam Brownback submitted his Fiscal Year 2013 budget to the Kansas Legislature Thursday. The proposed budget lays out the Governor's plan on how the state can fund essential services within a balanced budget and meet the statutory required 7.5% ending balance.

"This budget also begins the process of restoring economic growth in Kansas by reducing taxation of both citizens and the small businesses of our state. I believe that by sending less money to Topeka and instead leaving it in the hands of Kansans, we can usher in a new era of prosperity for the citizens of our great state," Gov. Brownback said.

Gov. Brownback said he felt it was imperative to hold state funding for Fiscal Year 2013 at the prior year's level in anticipation of continued reductions in federal funding and with the uncertainty of the global economy.

"I have maintained the most essential programs of the state while emphasizing fiscal responsibility to limit the risk to the citizens of the state should the recession continue or worsen," Brownback said.

Fiscal Year 2013 begins July 1, 2012.

You can learn more about the Governor's proposed budget at [www.budget.ks.gov](http://www.budget.ks.gov).