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Sen. President Morris Has Huge Fundraising Lead

Kansas Senate President Steve Morris has a big fundraising advantage over his Republican primary opponent. Morris filed a report Monday with the secretary of state's office showing he raised almost \$89,000 from Jan. 1 through last Thursday. He began the year with more than \$159,000 in the bank. The Hugoton Republican's report also shows he has spent more than \$148,000 this year on his race for re-election. Morris is opposed in the Aug. 7 primary by House member Larry Powell, of Garden City. Powell reported raising almost \$29,000 this year, including \$20,000 in personal loans to his campaign, while spending about \$21,000 so far this year in his effort to unseat Morris. Morris is among numerous moderate GOP senators facing challenges from conservatives.

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