

As Amended by House Committee

Session of 2024

HOUSE BILL No. 2616

By Committee on Elections

Requested by Kim Borchers

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; relating to the qualifications of poll
2 workers; prohibiting the disqualification of certain individuals as poll
3 workers on the basis of residency or registered voter status.

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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. (a) Neither the secretary of state nor any county election
7 officer shall disqualify an individual from serving as a poll worker at any
8 election on the basis of residency or registered voter status if such
9 individual is **a citizen of the United States and** an active military
10 member, the spouse or other dependent of an active military member or is
11 enrolled on a full-time basis in any public or private postsecondary
12 educational institution located in this state.

13 (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or otherwise
14 restrict any poll worker qualifications based on the age of the individual.

15 (c) As used in this section:

16 (1) "Active military member" means any person with full-time duty
17 status in the armed forces of the United States, including members of the
18 national guard and reserve; and

19 (2) "postsecondary educational institution" means the same as defined
20 in K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto.

21 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
22 publication in the statute book.