

**SENATE BILL No. 223**

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; changing the candidate filing deadline and  
2 the date of primary elections; increasing campaign contribution limits  
3 under the campaign finance act; modifying restrictions on campaign  
4 activities during legislative sessions; amending K.S.A. 25-203, 25-205,  
5 25-302a, 25-1115, 25-1122, 25-1903, 25-2006, 25-2010, 25-2018, 25-  
6 2102, 25-2107, 25-2108a, 25-2109, 25-21a01, 25-21a03, 25-2502, 25-  
7 26a03, 25-3801, 25-3901, 25-4004, 25-4005, 25-4153, 25-4153a, 71-  
8 1413, 71-1414 and 71-1422 and K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 19-3505 and  
9 repealing the existing sections.

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

12 Section 1. K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 19-3505 is hereby amended to read as  
13 follows: 19-3505. (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided by this section, the  
14 governing body of any water district to which this section applies shall be  
15 a five-member board holding positions numbered one to five, inclusive.  
16 Each member shall be elected and shall hold office from the second  
17 Monday in January succeeding such member's election until four years  
18 thereafter and until a successor is elected and has qualified.

19 (2) The first election of members of the governing body of any water  
20 district created after ~~the effective date of this act~~ *July 1, 2023*, shall be held  
21 on the first Tuesday *following the first Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* of any  
22 even-numbered year, at which time members shall be elected for terms  
23 beginning on September 1 of the same year; and ending on April 30 of the  
24 third year following the beginning of such term, to positions numbered  
25 three, four and five. At such first election, members shall be elected for  
26 terms ending on April 30 of the first year following the beginning of such  
27 terms, to positions numbered one and two. Members first elected to  
28 positions one and two shall have terms of approximately eight months.  
29 Elections shall be held on the Tuesday following the first Monday in  
30 November of each odd-numbered year for the member positions whose  
31 terms expire in that year.

32 (b) From and after April 30, 1991, the governing body of the water  
33 district shall be composed of seven members. At the election held in 1991,  
34 positions numbered 1, 2, 6 and 7 shall be elected to four-year terms. At the  
35 election in 1993, positions numbered 3, 4 and 5 shall be elected to four-  
36 year terms.

1 (c) Elections shall be held on the Tuesday following the first Monday  
2 in November of each odd-numbered year for the positions which terms  
3 expire in that year. Members shall hold office from the second Monday in  
4 January following such member's election until four years thereafter and  
5 until a successor is elected and qualified. All elections shall be nonpartisan  
6 and shall be called and conducted by the county election officer. Laws  
7 applying to other local elections occurring at the same time and in the  
8 same locality shall apply to elections under this act to the extent that the  
9 same can be made to apply. Notice of the time and place of holding each  
10 election shall be published by the county election officer in a newspaper  
11 published in the county in accordance with procedures established in  
12 K.S.A. 25-105 and 25-209, and amendments thereto.

13 (d) In January, following each election, the board shall organize and  
14 not later than the second regular meeting following each election shall  
15 select from among its members a chairperson and a vice-chairperson. The  
16 vice-chairperson shall preside over any meetings at which the chairperson  
17 is not present. Vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the  
18 unexpired term by appointment by the remaining members. All members  
19 shall take an oath of office as prescribed for other public officials. The  
20 members of the board shall be qualified electors in the water district. Prior  
21 to accepting office, the water district shall obtain for each member-elect a  
22 corporate surety bond to the state of Kansas in the amount of \$10,000,  
23 conditioned upon the faithful performance of the member's duties and for  
24 the true and faithful accounting of all money that may come into the  
25 member's hands by virtue of the office. Such bonds shall be filed in the  
26 office of the county clerk for the county in which the major portion of such  
27 water district is located after approval by the board of county  
28 commissioners of such county.

29 (e) Each member of the board shall receive a monthly salary in an  
30 amount determined by the board and shall be reimbursed for all necessary  
31 and reasonable expenses incurred in performing official assigned duties.

32 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-203 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-203.

33 ~~(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b),~~ The primary national,  
34 state, county and township election shall be held on the first Tuesday ~~of~~  
35 ~~August following the first Monday in June~~ in even-numbered years for the  
36 nomination of all candidates to be voted for at the next following general  
37 election.

38 ~~(b) In the year 1992, if new boundary lines are defined and districts~~  
39 ~~established in the manner prescribed by law for the offices of~~  
40 ~~representative in the United States congress, senator and representative in~~  
41 ~~the legislature of the state of Kansas, and member of the state board of~~  
42 ~~education, on or after June 13, 1992, the primary national, state, county~~  
43 ~~and township election shall be held on August 25, 1992, for the~~

1 nomination of all candidates to be voted for at the next following general  
2 election:

3 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 25-205 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-205.

4 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the names of candidates  
5 for national, state, county and township offices shall be printed upon the  
6 official primary ballot when each shall have qualified to become a  
7 candidate by one of the following methods and none other:

8 (1) They shall have had filed in their behalf, not later than 12 noon,  
9 ~~June~~ April 1, prior to such primary election, or if such date falls on  
10 Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, then before 12 noon of the next following  
11 day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, nomination petitions, as  
12 provided for in this act; or

13 (2) they shall have filed not later than the time for filing nomination  
14 petitions, as above provided, with the proper officer a declaration of  
15 intention to become a candidate, accompanied by the fee required by law.  
16 Such declaration shall be prescribed by the secretary of state.

17 (b) Nomination petitions shall be in substantially the following form:

18 I, the undersigned, an elector of the county of \_\_\_\_\_, and  
19 state of Kansas, and a duly registered voter, and a member of  
20 \_\_\_\_\_ party, hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_, who resides in  
21 the township of \_\_\_\_\_ (or at number \_\_\_\_\_ on  
22 \_\_\_\_\_ street, city of \_\_\_\_\_), in the county of  
23 \_\_\_\_\_ and state of Kansas, as a candidate for the office of (here  
24 specify the office) \_\_\_\_\_, to be voted for at the primary  
25 election to be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in  
26 ~~August~~ June in \_\_\_\_\_, as representing the principles of such  
27 party; and I further declare that I intend to support the candidate herein  
28 named and that I have not signed and will not sign any nomination petition  
29 for any other person, for such office at such primary election.

30 (HEADING)

31 Name of      Street Number      Name of      Date of  
32 Signers.      or Rural Route      City.      Signing.  
33 (as registered).

34 All nomination petitions shall have substantially the foregoing form,  
35 written or printed at the top thereof. No signature shall be counted unless it  
36 is upon a sheet having such written or printed form at the top thereof.

37 (c) Each signer of a nomination petition shall sign but one such  
38 petition for the same office, ~~and shall~~ declare that such person intends to  
39 support the candidate therein named; and ~~shall~~ add to such person's  
40 signature ~~and their~~ residence, ~~if in a city~~, by street and number ~~(, if any)~~,  
41 or, otherwise by post-office address. No signature shall be counted unless  
42 the place of residence of the signer is clearly indicated and the date of  
43 signing given as herein required and if ditto marks are used to indicate

1 address they shall be continuous and clearly made. Such sheets shall not be  
2 cut or pasted together.

3 (d) All signers of each separate nomination petition shall reside in the  
4 same county and election district of the office sought. The affidavit  
5 described in this paragraph of a petition circulator as defined in K.S.A. 25-  
6 3608, and amendments thereto, or of the candidate shall be appended to  
7 each petition and shall contain, at the end of each set of documents carried  
8 by each circulator, a verification, signed by the circulator or the candidate,  
9 to the effect that such circulator or the candidate personally witnessed the  
10 signing of the petition by each person whose name appears thereon.

11 (e) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (g), nomination  
12 petitions shall be signed:

13 (1) If for a state officer elected on a statewide basis or for the office  
14 of United States senator, by voters equal in number to not less than 1% of  
15 the total of the current voter registration of the party designated in the state  
16 as compiled by the office of the secretary of state;

17 (2) if for a state or national officer elected on less than a statewide  
18 basis, by voters equal in number to not less than 2% of the total of the  
19 current voter registration of the party designated in such district as  
20 compiled by the office of the secretary of state, except that for the office of  
21 district magistrate judge, by not less than 2% of the total of the current  
22 voter registration of the party designated in the county in which such office  
23 is to be filled as certified to the secretary of state in accordance with  
24 K.S.A. 25-3302, and amendments thereto;

25 (3) if for a county office, by voters equal in number to not less than  
26 3% of the total of the current voter registration of the party designated in  
27 such district or county as compiled by the county election officer and  
28 certified to the secretary of state in accordance with K.S.A. 25-3302, and  
29 amendments thereto; and

30 (4) if for a township office, by voters equal in number to not less than  
31 3% of the total of the current voter registration of the party designated in  
32 such township as compiled by the county election officer and certified to  
33 the secretary of state in accordance with K.S.A. 25-3302, and amendments  
34 thereto.

35 (f) Subject to the requirements of K.S.A. 25-202, and amendments  
36 thereto, any political organization filing nomination petitions for a  
37 majority of the state or county offices, as provided in this act, shall have a  
38 separate primary election ballot as a political party and, upon receipt of  
39 such nomination petitions, the respective officers shall prepare a separate  
40 state and county ballot for such new party in their respective counties or  
41 districts thereof in the same manner as is provided for existing parties.

42 (g) In any year in which districts are reapportioned for the offices of  
43 representative in the United States congress, senator and representative in

1 the legislature of the state of Kansas or member of the state board of  
2 education:

3 (1) If new boundary lines are defined and districts established in the  
4 manner prescribed by law on or before ~~May~~ *March* 10, nomination  
5 petitions for nomination to such offices shall be signed by voters equal in  
6 number to not less than 1% of the total of the current voter registration of  
7 the party designated in the district as compiled by the office of the  
8 secretary of state.

9 (2) If new boundary lines are defined and districts established in the  
10 manner prescribed by law on or after ~~May~~ *March* 11, nomination petitions  
11 for nomination to the following offices shall be signed by registered voters  
12 of the party designated in the district equal in number to not less than the  
13 following:

14 (A) For the office of representative in the United States congress,  
15 1,000 registered voters;

16 (B) for the office of member of the state board of education, 300  
17 registered voters;

18 (C) for the office of state senator, 75 registered voters; and

19 (D) for the office of state representative, 25 registered voters.

20 (h) In any year in which districts are reapportioned for the offices of  
21 representative in the United States congress, senator and representative in  
22 the legislature of the state of Kansas or member of the state board of  
23 education:

24 (1) If new boundary lines are defined and districts established in the  
25 manner prescribed by law on or before ~~May~~ *March* 10, the deadline for  
26 filing nomination petitions and declarations of intention to become a  
27 candidate for such office, accompanied by the fee required by law, shall be  
28 12 noon on ~~June~~ *April* 1, or if such date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a  
29 holiday, then before 12 noon of the next following day that is not a  
30 Saturday, Sunday or holiday.

31 (2) If new boundary lines are defined and districts established in the  
32 manner prescribed by law on or after ~~May~~ *March* 11, the deadline for  
33 filing nomination petitions and declarations of intention to become a  
34 candidate for such office, accompanied by the fee required by law, shall be  
35 12 noon on ~~June~~ *April* 10, or if such date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or  
36 holiday, then before 12 noon of the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday  
37 or holiday.

38 (i) Primary elections for candidates for municipal office shall be held  
39 when otherwise required by law. The names of candidates for municipal  
40 offices shall be printed upon the official primary ballot in odd-numbered  
41 year elections and in even-numbered years when needed. Persons shall  
42 become qualified to become a candidate by one of the following methods:

43 (1) They shall have filed, not later than 12 noon, on ~~June~~ *April* 1,

1 prior to such primary election, or if such date falls on Saturday, Sunday or  
2 a holiday, then before 12 noon of the next following day that is not a  
3 Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, nomination petitions, as otherwise provided  
4 by law; or

5 (2) they shall have filed, not later than the time for filing nomination  
6 petitions, as above provided, with the proper officer a declaration of  
7 intention to become a candidate, accompanied by the \$20 fee required by  
8 law. Such declaration shall be prescribed by the secretary of state as  
9 provided in K.S.A. 25-21a03, and amendments thereto.

10 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 25-302a is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
11 302a. (a) Any political party seeking official recognition in this state after  
12 the effective date of this act shall file in its behalf, not later than 12 noon,  
13 ~~June~~ April 1, prior to the primary election held on the first Tuesday ~~of~~  
14 ~~August~~ following the first Monday in June in even-numbered years, or if  
15 such date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, then before 12 noon of  
16 the next following day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or a holiday petitions  
17 signed by qualified electors equal in number to at least 2% of the total vote  
18 cast for all candidates for the office of governor in the state in the last  
19 preceding general election. Such petitions shall declare support for the  
20 official recognition of a political party, the name of which shall be stated in  
21 the declaration. No political party seeking official recognition shall assume  
22 a name or designation which, in the opinion of the secretary of state, is  
23 unreasonably lengthy or so similar to the name or designation of an  
24 existing political party as to confuse or mislead the voters at an election.

25 (b) Petitions seeking official recognition of a political party shall be  
26 substantially in the following form:

27 PETITION SEEKING THE OFFICIAL RECOGNITION OF  
28 THE \_\_\_\_\_ PARTY IN THE STATE OF KANSAS

29 I, the undersigned, hereby declare my support for the official  
30 recognition of the \_\_\_\_\_ Party.

31 I have personally signed this petition; I am a registered elector of the  
32 state of Kansas and the County of \_\_\_\_\_, and my residence  
33 address is correctly written after my name.

34 NAME OF SIGNER ADDRESS AS REGISTERED CITY

35 DATE OF SIGNING

36 (c) Appended to each petition page or set of pages shall be an  
37 affidavit by the petition circulator as defined in K.S.A. 25-3608, and  
38 amendments thereto, of the petition affirming that such circulator  
39 personally witnessed the signing of the petition by each person whose  
40 name appears thereon. The affidavit shall be executed before a person  
41 authorized to administer oaths and include the address of the circulator.

42 (d) Each page of such petition shall bear the names of registered  
43 voters of a single county. All petitions shall be grouped according to the

1 county in which each was circulated before being filed with the secretary  
2 of state. All such petitions shall be filed at one time. Any related petitions  
3 presented thereafter will be deemed to be separate and not a part of earlier  
4 filings. County election officers shall cooperate with the secretary of state  
5 in verifying the sufficiency of these petitions as required by law.

6 (e) The secretary of state shall transmit such petitions to the county  
7 election officer of each county for which petitions were presented to be  
8 examined for sufficiency pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 25-3601 et  
9 seq., and amendments thereto, and applicable regulations. Not more than  
10 20 days following receipt of such petitions from the secretary of state, the  
11 county election officer shall return these documents to the secretary of  
12 state certifying the number of sufficient signatures thereon. The secretary  
13 of state shall gather all petitions and determine whether a sufficient  
14 number of signatures was submitted. The secretary of state shall forthwith  
15 notify the person who submitted the declaration of intent to circulate such  
16 petitions of the sufficiency or insufficiency of the number of signatures.

17 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 25-1115 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
18 1115. (a) "General election" means the elections held on the Tuesday  
19 following the first Monday in November of both even-numbered and odd-  
20 numbered years, and in the case of special elections of any officers to fill  
21 vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.

22 (b) "Primary election" means the elections held on the first Tuesday  
23 *following the first Monday in August* ~~in August~~ *June* of both even-numbered and  
24 odd-numbered years, and any other preliminary election at which part of  
25 the candidates for special election to any national, state, county, city,  
26 school or other municipal office are eliminated by the process of the  
27 election but at which no officer is finally elected.

28 Sec. 6. K.S.A. 25-1122 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
29 1122. (a) Any registered voter may file with the county election officer  
30 where the person is a resident, or where the person is authorized by law to  
31 vote as a former precinct resident, an application for an advance voting  
32 ballot. The signed application shall be transmitted only to the county  
33 election officer by personal delivery, mail, facsimile or as otherwise  
34 provided by law.

35 (b) If the registered voter is applying for an advance voting ballot to  
36 be transmitted in person, the voter shall provide identification pursuant to  
37 K.S.A. 25-2908, and amendments thereto.

38 (c) If the registered voter is applying for an advance voting ballot to  
39 be transmitted by mail, the voter shall provide with the application for an  
40 advance voting ballot the voter's current and valid Kansas driver's license  
41 number, nondriver's identification card number or a photocopy of any  
42 other identification provided by K.S.A. 25-2908, and amendments thereto.

43 (d) A voter may vote a provisional ballot according to K.S.A. 25-409,

1 and amendments thereto, if:

2 (1) The voter is unable or refuses to provide current and valid  
3 identification; or

4 (2) the name and address of the voter provided on the application for  
5 an advance voting ballot do not match the voter's name and address on the  
6 registration book. The voter shall provide a valid form of identification as  
7 defined in K.S.A. 25-2908, and amendments thereto, to the county election  
8 officer in person or provide a copy by mail or electronic means before the  
9 meeting of the county board of canvassers. At the meeting of the county  
10 board of canvassers the county election officer shall present copies of  
11 identification received from provisional voters and the corresponding  
12 provisional ballots. If the county board of canvassers determines that a  
13 voter's identification is valid and the provisional ballot was properly cast,  
14 the ballot shall be counted.

15 (e) No county election officer shall provide an advance voting ballot  
16 to a person who is requesting an advance voting ballot to be transmitted by  
17 mail unless:

18 (1) The county election official verifies that the signature of the  
19 person matches that on file in the county voter registration records, except  
20 that verification of the voter's signature shall not be required if a voter has  
21 a disability preventing the voter from signing. Signature verification may  
22 occur by electronic device or by human inspection. In the event that the  
23 signature of a person who is requesting an advance voting ballot does not  
24 match that on file, the county election officer shall attempt to contact the  
25 person and shall offer the person another opportunity to provide the  
26 person's signature for the purposes of verifying the person's identity. If the  
27 county election officer is unable to reach the person, the county election  
28 officer may transmit a provisional ballot, however, such provisional ballot  
29 may not be counted unless a signature is included therewith that can be  
30 verified; and

31 (2) the person provides such person's full Kansas driver's license  
32 number, Kansas nondriver's identification card number issued by the  
33 division of vehicles, or submits such person's application for an advance  
34 voting ballot and a copy of identification provided by K.S.A. 25-2908, and  
35 amendments thereto, to the county election officer for verification. If a  
36 person applies for an advance voting ballot to be transmitted by mail but  
37 fails to provide identification pursuant to this subsection or the  
38 identification of the person cannot be verified by the county election  
39 officer, the county election officer shall provide information to the person  
40 regarding the voter rights provisions of subsection (d) and shall provide  
41 the person an opportunity to provide identification pursuant to this  
42 subsection. For the purposes of this act, Kansas state offices and offices of  
43 any subdivision of the state will allow any person seeking to vote by an



1 advance voting ballot the use of a photocopying device to make one  
2 photocopy of an identification document at no cost.

3 (f) Applications for advance voting ballots to be transmitted to the  
4 voter by mail shall be filed only at the following times:

5 (1) For the primary election occurring on the first Tuesday *following*  
6 *the first Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* in both even-numbered and odd-  
7 numbered years, between ~~April~~ *February* 1 of such year and the Tuesday  
8 of the week preceding such primary election.

9 (2) For the general election occurring on the Tuesday following the  
10 first Monday in November in both even-numbered and odd-numbered  
11 years, between 90 days prior to such election and the Tuesday of the week  
12 preceding such general election.

13 (3) For question submitted elections occurring on the date of a  
14 primary or general election, the same as is provided for ballots for election  
15 of officers at such election.

16 (4) For question submitted elections not occurring on the date of a  
17 primary or general election, between the time of the first published notice  
18 thereof and the Tuesday of the week preceding such question submitted  
19 election, except that if the question submitted election is held on a day  
20 other than a Tuesday, the final date for mailing of advance voting ballots  
21 shall be one week before such election.

22 (5) For any special election of officers, at such time as is specified by  
23 the secretary of state.

24 The county election officer of any county may receive applications  
25 prior to the time specified in this subsection and hold such applications  
26 until the beginning of the prescribed application period. Such applications  
27 shall be treated as filed on that date.

28 (g) Unless an earlier date is designated by the county election office,  
29 applications for advance voting ballots transmitted to the voter in person in  
30 the office of the county election officer shall be filed on the Tuesday next  
31 preceding the election and on each subsequent business day until no later  
32 than 12 noon on the day preceding such election. If the county election  
33 officer so provides, applications for advance voting ballots transmitted to  
34 the voter in person in the office of the county election officer also may be  
35 filed on the Saturday preceding the election. Upon receipt of any such  
36 properly executed application, the county election officer shall deliver to  
37 the voter such ballots and instructions as are provided for in this act.

38 An application for an advance voting ballot filed by a voter who has a  
39 temporary illness or disability or who is not proficient in reading the  
40 English language or by a person rendering assistance to such voter may be  
41 filed during the regular advance ballot application periods until the close  
42 of the polls on election day.

43 The county election officer may designate places other than the central

1 county election office as satellite advance voting sites. At any satellite  
2 advance voting site, a registered voter may obtain an application for  
3 advance voting ballots. Ballots and instructions shall be delivered to the  
4 voter in the same manner and subject to the same limitations as otherwise  
5 provided by this subsection.

6 (h) Any person having a permanent disability or an illness that has  
7 been diagnosed as a permanent illness is hereby authorized to make an  
8 application for permanent advance voting status. Applications for  
9 permanent advance voting status shall be in the form and contain such  
10 information as is required for application for advance voting ballots and  
11 also shall contain information that establishes the voter's right to  
12 permanent advance voting status.

13 (i) On receipt of any application filed under the provisions of this  
14 section, the county election officer shall prepare and maintain in such  
15 officer's office a list of the names of all persons who have filed such  
16 applications, together with their correct post office address and the  
17 precinct, ward, township or voting area in which the persons claim to be  
18 registered voters or to be authorized by law to vote as former precinct  
19 residents and the present resident address of each applicant. Names and  
20 addresses shall remain so listed until the day of such election. The county  
21 election officer shall maintain a separate listing of the names and addresses  
22 of persons qualifying for permanent advance voting status. All such lists  
23 shall be available for inspection upon request in compliance with this  
24 subsection by any registered voter during regular business hours. The  
25 county election officer upon receipt of the applications shall enter upon a  
26 record kept by such officer the name and address of each applicant, which  
27 record shall conform to the list above required. Before inspection of any  
28 advance voting ballot application list, the person desiring to make the  
29 inspection shall provide to the county election officer identification in the  
30 form of driver's license or other reliable identification and shall sign a log  
31 book or application form maintained by the officer stating the person's  
32 name and address and showing the date and time of inspection. All records  
33 made by the county election officer shall be subject to public inspection,  
34 except that the voter identification information required by subsections (b)  
35 and (c) and the identifying number on ballots and ballot envelopes and  
36 records of such numbers shall not be made public.

37 (j) If a person on the permanent advance voting list fails to vote in  
38 four consecutive general elections held on the Tuesday succeeding the first  
39 Monday in November of each even-numbered and odd-numbered year, the  
40 county election officer may mail a notice to such voter. The notice shall  
41 inform the voter that the voter's name will be removed from the permanent  
42 advance voting list unless the voter renews the application for permanent  
43 advance voting status within 30 days after the notice is mailed. If the voter

1 fails to renew such application, the county election officer shall remove the  
2 voter's name from the permanent advance voting list. Failure to renew the  
3 application for permanent advance voting status shall not result in removal  
4 of the voter's name from the voter registration list.

5 (k) (1) Any person who solicits by mail a registered voter to file an  
6 application for an advance voting ballot and includes an application for an  
7 advance voting ballot in such mailing shall include on the exterior of such  
8 mailing, and on each page contained therein, except the application, a clear  
9 and conspicuous label in 14-point font or larger that includes:

10 (A) The name of the individual or organization that caused such  
11 solicitation to be mailed;

12 (B) if an organization, the name of the president, chief executive  
13 officer or executive director of such organization;

14 (C) the address of such individual or organization; and

15 (D) the following statement: "Disclosure: This is not a government  
16 mailing. It is from a private individual or organization."

17 (2) The application for an advance voting ballot included in such  
18 mailing shall be the official application for advance ballot by mail  
19 provided by the secretary of state. No portion of such application shall be  
20 completed prior to mailing such application to the registered voter.

21 (3) An application for an advance voting ballot shall include an  
22 envelope addressed to the appropriate county election office for the  
23 mailing of such application. In no case shall the person who mails the  
24 application to the voter direct that the completed application be returned to  
25 such person.

26 (4) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to:

27 (A) The secretary of state or any election official or county election  
28 office; or

29 (B) the official protection and advocacy for voting access agency for  
30 this state as designated pursuant to the federal help America vote act of  
31 2002, public law 107-252, or any other entity required to provide  
32 information concerning elections and voting procedures by federal law.

33 (5) A violation of this subsection is a class C nonperson  
34 misdemeanor.

35 (l) (1) No person shall mail or cause to be mailed an application for  
36 an advance voting ballot, unless such person is a resident of this state or is  
37 otherwise domiciled in this state.

38 (2) Any individual may file a complaint in writing with the attorney  
39 general alleging a violation of this subsection. Such complaint shall  
40 include the name of the person alleged to have violated this subsection and  
41 any other information as required by the attorney general. Upon receipt of  
42 a complaint, the attorney general shall investigate and may file an action  
43 against any person found to have violated this subsection.

1 (3) Any person who violates the provisions of this subsection is  
2 subject to a civil penalty of \$20. Each instance in which a person mails an  
3 application for an advance voting ballot in violation of this section shall  
4 constitute a separate violation.

5 (m) The secretary of state may adopt rules and regulations in order to  
6 implement the provisions of this section and to define valid forms of  
7 identification.

8 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 25-1903 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
9 1903. (a) A person may become a candidate for election to the office of  
10 state board member by either one of the methods provided in this section.

11 (1) Any person who is an elector of any board member district may  
12 petition to be a candidate for member of the state board from the board  
13 member district in which such person resides. Any such person shall file  
14 with the secretary of state a petition for the candidacy of such person  
15 signed by not less than 200 electors residing in such board member  
16 district.

17 (2) Any person who is an elector of any board member district may  
18 become a candidate for member of the state board from the board member  
19 district in which such candidate resides by filing in the office of the  
20 secretary of state a declaration of intent to be such a candidate and  
21 payment of a filing fee in the amount of \$25.

22 (b) Any such petition or declaration of intent filed by a candidate to  
23 run in the primary election held in accordance with K.S.A. 25-203, and  
24 amendments thereto, shall be filed no later than 12:00 noon, ~~June~~ *April* 10,  
25 prior to such primary election, or if such date falls on Saturday, Sunday or  
26 a holiday, then before 12:00 noon of the next following day that is not a  
27 Saturday, Sunday or a holiday. Any such petition or declaration of intent  
28 filed by an independent candidate for the office of state board member  
29 shall be filed no later than 12:00 noon on the Monday preceding the date  
30 fixed for the holding of primary elections in accordance with K.S.A. 25-  
31 203, and amendments thereto.

32 Sec. 8. K.S.A. 25-2006 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
33 2006. (a) "General election" means the election held for school officers on  
34 the Tuesday following the first Monday in November of odd-numbered  
35 years, and in the case of special elections of any school officers to fill  
36 vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.

37 (b) "Primary election" means the election held on the first Tuesday  
38 *following the first Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* of each odd-numbered year, and  
39 any other preliminary election at which part of the candidates for special  
40 election to any school office are eliminated by the process of the election  
41 but at which no officer is finally elected.

42 Sec. 9. K.S.A. 25-2010 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
43 2010. Election of board members and question submitted elections shall be

1 conducted by the county election officer of the home county of the school  
 2 district. Board member general elections shall be held on the Tuesday  
 3 following the first Monday in November of odd-numbered years. A  
 4 primary election shall be held on the first Tuesday *following the first*  
 5 *Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* of odd-numbered years.

6 Sec. 10. K.S.A. 25-2018 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
 7 2018. (a) Notices of board member elections and question submitted  
 8 elections of a school district shall be made as provided in this section.

9 (b) On or before ~~June~~ *April* 10 of odd-numbered years, the county  
 10 election officer shall publish a notice of election one time in a newspaper  
 11 having general circulation in the school district. The notice for board  
 12 member elections shall state:

- 13 (1) The name of the school district;
- 14 (2) the date of the general election;
- 15 (3) the date of the primary election if one is held;
- 16 (4) the filing deadline and the place of filing; and
- 17 (5) the offices or positions to be filled.

18 (c) All notices provided for by this section shall be given in the form  
 19 prescribed by the secretary of state to the extent that any notice or part  
 20 thereof is prescribed by the secretary of state. The provisions of this  
 21 section shall not be construed to require the secretary of state to prescribe  
 22 any particular form.

23 (d) On or before ~~June~~ *April* 10 of each odd-numbered year, a notice  
 24 of primary elections shall be published by the county election officer in a  
 25 newspaper having general circulation in the school district, if a primary  
 26 election is required to be held. The publication shall be made one time and  
 27 shall state:

- 28 (1) The name of the school district;
- 29 (2) the date of the primary election;
- 30 (3) the names of the candidates and the office or position for which  
 31 each is a candidate;
- 32 (4) the voting place or places and the area each voting place is to  
 33 serve; and
- 34 (5) the times of opening and closing of the polls. Description of areas  
 35 shall be in the terms determined by the county election officer.

36 (e) On or before September 1 of each odd-numbered year, a notice of  
 37 the general election shall be published by the county election officer one  
 38 time in a newspaper having general circulation in the school district. The  
 39 notice shall state:

- 40 (1) The name of the school district;
- 41 (2) the date of the general election;
- 42 (3) the names of the candidates and the office or position for which  
 43 each is a candidate;

1 (4) the voting place or places and the area each voting place is to  
2 serve; and

3 (5) the time of opening and closing of polls. Description of areas shall  
4 be in such terms as may be determined by the county election officer.

5 (f) Notice of any question submitted election of any school district  
6 shall be made in the manner provided by K.S.A. 10-120, and amendments  
7 thereto. The notice shall state:

8 (1) The name of the school district;

9 (2) the date of the election;

10 (3) the amount of bonds to be issued, if a bond election;

11 (4) the proposition to be voted upon;

12 (5) the hours of opening and closing of the polls;

13 (6) the voting place or places and the area each voting place is to  
14 serve; and

15 (7) any other information specifically required by law. Description of  
16 areas shall be in the terms determined by the county election officer.

17 Sec. 11. K.S.A. 25-2102 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
18 2102. (a) "General election" means the elections held on the Tuesday  
19 succeeding the first Monday in November of both odd-numbered and  
20 even-numbered years, and in the case of special elections of any officers to  
21 fill vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.

22 (b) "Primary election" means the elections held on the first Tuesday  
23 *following the first Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* of both odd-numbered and  
24 even-numbered years.

25 (c) "District method" means the election of city officers where the  
26 city is divided into member districts or wards.

27 (d) "Election at large method" means the election of city officers  
28 without member districts or wards.

29 Sec. 12. K.S.A. 25-2107 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
30 2107. (a) The general election of city officers shall be held on the Tuesday  
31 following the first Monday in November of each odd-numbered and even-  
32 numbered years, if needed.

33 (b) A primary may be held on the first Tuesday *following the first*  
34 *Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* of each odd-numbered and even-numbered year, if  
35 needed, as prescribed in K.S.A. 25-205 and 25-2108a, and amendments  
36 thereto.

37 Sec. 13. K.S.A. 25-2108a is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
38 2108a. (a) There shall be a primary election of city officers on the first  
39 Tuesday *following the first Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* of each odd-numbered  
40 and even-numbered year, if needed.

41 (b) In cities in which a district method of election is in effect, if there  
42 are more than three qualified candidates for any member district, the  
43 county election officer shall call, and there shall be held, a primary

1 election in each such member district. The names of the two candidates  
2 receiving the greatest number of votes for any such member district at the  
3 primary election shall appear on the ballots in the general election. If there  
4 are three or fewer qualified candidates for any member district there shall  
5 not be a primary election and the names of the candidates shall be placed  
6 on the ballots in the general election.

7 (c) In cities in which the election at large method of election is in  
8 effect, if there are more than three times the number of candidates as there  
9 are members to be elected, the county election officer shall call, and there  
10 shall be held, a primary election. The names of twice the number of  
11 candidates as there are members to be elected who received the greatest  
12 number of votes at the primary election shall appear on the ballots in the  
13 general election. If there are not more than three times the number of  
14 candidates as there are members to be elected there shall not be a primary  
15 election and the names of the candidates shall be placed on the ballots in  
16 the general election.

17 (d) On the ballots in general city elections, blank lines for the names  
18 of write-in candidates shall be printed at the end of the list of candidates  
19 for each different office. The number of blank lines for each elected office  
20 shall be equal to the number of candidates to be elected thereto. The  
21 purpose of such blank lines shall be to permit the voter to insert the name  
22 of any person not printed on the ballot for whom such voter desires to vote  
23 for such office. No lines for write-in candidates shall appear on primary  
24 city election ballots.

25 Sec. 14. K.S.A. 25-2109 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
26 2109. The filing deadline for all city elections shall be at 12 noon on ~~June~~  
27 *April* 1 as provided in K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto.

28 Sec. 15. K.S.A. 25-21a01 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
29 21a01. (a) On and after January 1, 2017, all primary elections for members  
30 of the governing body and other elected officials of any municipality shall  
31 be held on the first Tuesday *following the first Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* of  
32 2017 and on such date thereafter of odd-numbered years, and all general  
33 elections for members of the governing body and other elected officials of  
34 any municipality shall be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday  
35 in November of 2017 of odd-numbered years and on such date thereafter.

36 (b) The term of members of governing bodies and other elected  
37 officials of any municipality that would expire at any time in 2017 shall  
38 expire on the second Monday in January of 2018, when newly elected  
39 members of the governing body and other newly elected officials shall  
40 take office.

41 (c) The governing body of the municipality shall establish by  
42 ordinance or resolution terms of office of elected officials to comply with  
43 this act.

1 (d) Primary elections for any municipality shall be conducted as  
2 provided in K.S.A. 25-202, and amendments thereto. A primary election  
3 shall only be required as provided in K.S.A. 25-2021 and 25-2108a, and  
4 amendments thereto, or as otherwise required by law.

5 (e) The filing deadline for all candidates for any municipality, unless  
6 otherwise provided by law, shall be as provided in K.S.A. 25-205, and  
7 amendments thereto.

8 (f) Any person who meets the qualifications for the office sought may  
9 become a candidate for municipal office by filing a declaration of intent to  
10 become a candidate with the county election officer accompanied by a  
11 filing fee of \$20.

12 (g) "Municipality" means:

13 (1) Any city, consolidated city-county created under K.S.A. 12-340 et  
14 seq., and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 12-360 et seq., and  
15 amendments thereto, school district, any board of public utilities created  
16 under K.S.A. 13-1220 et seq., and amendments thereto, community  
17 college, drainage district, extension district created under K.S.A. 2-623 et  
18 seq., and amendments thereto, irrigation district, improvement district  
19 created under K.S.A. 19-2753 et seq., and amendments thereto, water  
20 district created under K.S.A. 19-3501 et seq., and amendments thereto, and  
21 hospital district created under K.S.A. 80-2501 et seq., and amendments  
22 thereto.

23 (2) The term does not include any special district where the election  
24 of members of the governing body is conducted at a meeting of the special  
25 district.

26 (h) Cities and hospital districts may provide for elections of elected  
27 officials in even-numbered years in order to provide for staggered terms of  
28 office or for three-year terms of office for elected officials.

29 Sec. 16. K.S.A. 25-21a03 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
30 21a03. (a) The secretary of state shall develop the style and form of the  
31 official primary ballot and the official general election ballot for municipal  
32 offices.

33 (b) The declaration of intent to become a candidate shall be  
34 prescribed by the secretary of state. The declarations for any municipality  
35 shall be filed with the county election officer not later than 12 noon, ~~June~~  
36 *April* 1, prior to the primary election in both even-numbered and odd-  
37 numbered years, or if such date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday,  
38 then before 12 noon of the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or  
39 holiday.

40 (c) The secretary of state shall establish primary election procedures  
41 for primary elections for municipalities.

42 (d) The secretary of state shall establish general election procedures  
43 for general elections for municipalities.



1 (e) County election officers shall conduct municipal elections in odd-  
2 numbered years and elections in even-numbered years if needed.

3 (f) The secretary of state shall adopt rules and regulations to  
4 implement this section on or before July 1, 2016.

5 Sec. 17. K.S.A. 25-2502 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
6 2502. (a) "General election" means the elections held on the Tuesday  
7 following the first Monday in November of both even-numbered and odd-  
8 numbered years, and in the case of special elections of any officers to fill  
9 vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.

10 (b) "Primary election" means the elections held on the first Tuesday  
11 *following the first Monday* in ~~August~~ *June* of both even-numbered and  
12 odd-numbered years, and any other preliminary election at which part of  
13 the candidates for special election to any national, state, county, township,  
14 city, school or other municipal office are eliminated by the process of the  
15 election but at which no officer is finally elected.

16 Sec. 18. K.S.A. 25-26a03 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
17 26a03. (a) Notwithstanding any other law or provisions to the contrary, no  
18 election precinct shall be created, divided, abolished or consolidated or the  
19 boundaries thereof changed during the period four months prior to each  
20 primary election and the succeeding general election or between January 1  
21 of a year the last digit of which is 8 and December 1 of a year the last digit  
22 of which is 0, and from and after January 1, 1993, between January 1 of a  
23 year the last digit of which is 7 and the time when the legislature has been  
24 redistricted in a year the last digit of which is 2 except in the following  
25 cases:

26 ~~(a)~~(1) If required by the creation of a political subdivision, new  
27 precincts may be created.

28 (2) If there is an alteration of a political subdivision by annexation,  
29 new precincts may be created.

30 (3) If a political subdivision annexes an area adjacent to the political  
31 subdivision boundary, the annexed area may be included in a precinct  
32 immediately adjacent to it, if the annexed area is in the same legislative  
33 district.

34 (4) A municipality or county election officer may establish new  
35 election precincts lying entirely within the boundaries of any existing  
36 precinct and shall designate the new precincts by name or number, or a  
37 combination of name and number, ~~which~~ *that* shall include the designated  
38 name or number of the former precinct.

39 (5) If required to conform and coincide with a federal census block  
40 boundary established by the federal bureau of the census, a county election  
41 officer may change precinct boundaries.

42 (b) When necessary to comply with the provisions of this act, not less  
43 than 45 days after the legislature has been redistricted, or by ~~June~~ *April* 10

1 in a year the last digit of which is 2-~~6~~, whichever occurs first), precinct  
2 boundaries shall be reestablished.

3 Sec. 19. K.S.A. 25-3801 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
4 3801. (a) At each primary election, the members of the party residing in  
5 each precinct in each county of the state shall elect a man of their number  
6 as precinct committeeman and a woman of their number as precinct  
7 committeewoman. No person shall be eligible to be a candidate for or hold  
8 the office of precinct committeeman or precinct committeewoman of a  
9 party in any precinct unless such person actually lives, resides and  
10 occupies a place of abode in such precinct, and is in all other respects a  
11 qualified elector and is shown as a member of such party on the party  
12 affiliation list, in the office of the county election officer. Except as  
13 provided in subsection (b), any vacancy occurring in the office of precinct  
14 committeeman or committeewoman shall be promptly filled by  
15 appointment by the county chairperson, except that any vacancy which  
16 occurs because the party had no candidate at such primary election shall  
17 not be filled until the county central committee has elected or reelected its  
18 chairperson. Not later than three days after appointment of precinct  
19 committeemen and committeewomen, the county chairperson making the  
20 appointments shall notify the county election officer of such appointments.  
21 The county election officer shall make such appointments public  
22 immediately upon receipt thereof. As used in this act, "primary election"  
23 means the statewide election held in ~~August~~ *June* of even-numbered years.

24 (b) When a convention is to be held under article 39 of chapter 25 of  
25 Kansas Statutes Annotated, *and amendments thereto*, to fill a vacancy, no  
26 appointments shall be made under subsection (a):

27 (1) After the county chairperson has received notice from the county  
28 election officer of a vacancy or a pending vacancy in a county elected  
29 office; or

30 (2) after the county chairperson in each county, all or a part of which,  
31 is located within a legislative district has received notice from the  
32 secretary of state of a vacancy or a pending vacancy in a legislative office.

33 After the vacancy has been filled by a person elected at a convention  
34 held under article 39 of chapter 25 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, *and*  
35 *amendments thereto*, any vacancy in the office of precinct committeeman  
36 or committeewoman shall be filled as provided by subsection (a).

37 Sec. 20. K.S.A. 25-3901 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
38 3901. As used in this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the words  
39 and terms defined in article 25 of chapter 25 of Kansas Statutes Annotated,  
40 *and amendments thereto*, shall have the meaning therein ascribed thereto,  
41 to the extent that the same are not in conflict with the following:

42 (a) "District office" means the office of district judge, district  
43 magistrate judge, county commissioner, state representative, state senator,

1 district attorney or county attorney.

2 (b) "Party" means a political party having a state and national  
3 organization and of which the officer or candidate whose position has  
4 become vacant was a member.

5 (c) "Party candidacy" means a candidate of a political party for a  
6 party nomination at a primary election or the party candidate at a general  
7 election.

8 (d) "General election" means the election held on the Tuesday  
9 succeeding the first Monday in November in even-numbered years.

10 (e) "Primary election" means the election held on the first Tuesday  
11 following the first Monday in ~~August~~ June in even-numbered years.

12 (f) "County chairman" or "county chairperson" means the chairperson  
13 of the county central committee, provided to be elected under K.S.A. 25-  
14 3802, and amendments thereto, of the political party of which the officer  
15 or candidate whose position has become vacant was a member.

16 Sec. 21. K.S.A. 25-4004 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
17 4004. The provisions of K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto, shall not  
18 apply to the offices of governor and lieutenant governor. The names of  
19 candidates for governor and lieutenant governor shall be printed upon the  
20 official primary ballot when each pair thereof shall have qualified to  
21 become candidates in one or the other of the following methods and none  
22 other: *First*, they shall have had filed in their behalf, not later than 12  
23 noon, ~~June~~ April 1, prior to such primary election, or if such date falls on  
24 Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday, then before 12 noon the following  
25 business day, nomination papers, commonly called nomination petitions,  
26 as provided for in K.S.A. 25-4005, and amendments thereto; or, *second*,  
27 they shall have filed not later than the time for filing nomination papers, as  
28 above provided, with the secretary of state, as hereinafter prescribed, a  
29 declaration of intention to become candidates, accompanied by a fee as  
30 provided in K.S.A. 25-4006, and amendments thereto.

31 Sec. 22. K.S.A. 25-4005 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
32 4005. The nomination papers or petitions as mentioned in K.S.A. 25-4004,  
33 and amendments thereto, shall be in substantially the following form:

34 I, the undersigned, an elector of the county of \_\_\_\_\_, and state  
35 of Kansas, and a duly registered voter and a member of the \_\_\_\_\_  
36 party, hereby nominate

37 \_\_\_\_\_  
38 (Here insert name and city)  
39 and state of Kansas as a candidate for the office of governor, and running  
40 with such candidate

41 \_\_\_\_\_  
42 (Here insert name and city)  
43 and state of Kansas as a candidate for the office of lieutenant governor to

1 be voted for at the primary to be held on the first Tuesday *following the*  
 2 *first Monday* in ~~August~~ June in \_\_\_\_\_, as representing the principles  
 3 of such party; and I further declare that I intend to support the candidates  
 4 herein named and that I have not signed and will not sign any petition or  
 5 nomination paper for any other persons, for such offices at the next  
 6 ensuing election.

7 (HEADING)

8 Name of	Street Number	Name of	Date of
9 Signers	or RR	City	Signing
	(as Registered)		

11 All nomination papers shall have substantially the foregoing form,  
 12 written or printed at the top thereof. No signature shall be counted unless it  
 13 is upon a sheet having such written or printed form at the top thereof.

14 Each signer of a nomination paper shall sign but one such paper for  
 15 governor and lieutenant governor, ~~and shall~~ declare that such signer  
 16 intends to support the candidates therein named; and ~~shall~~ add to the  
 17 signer's signature the signer's residence, ~~if in a city,~~ by street and number,  
 18 if any; or, otherwise by address as shown on such signer's registration. No  
 19 signature shall be counted unless the place of residence of the signer is  
 20 clearly indicated and the date of signing given as herein required and if  
 21 ditto marks are used to indicate address they shall be continuous and  
 22 clearly made. Such sheets shall not be cut or pasted together.

23 All signers of each separate nomination paper shall reside in the same  
 24 county. The affidavit of a petition circulator as defined in K.S.A. 25-3608,  
 25 and amendments thereto, shall be appended to each such nomination  
 26 paper, stating that to the best of such petition circulator's knowledge and  
 27 belief, all the signers thereof are qualified electors of that county; that the  
 28 petition circulator knows that they signed the same with full knowledge of  
 29 the contents thereof; that their respective residences are correctly stated  
 30 therein; that each signer signed the same on the date stated opposite such  
 31 signer's name, and that the affiant intends to support the candidates therein  
 32 named. Such affidavit shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein  
 33 stated.

34 Such nomination papers shall be signed by not less than 1% of the total  
 35 vote of the party designated in the state. The basis of the percentage shall  
 36 be the vote of the party for secretary of state at the last preceding general  
 37 election of secretary of state; or, in case of a new party, the basis of a  
 38 percentage shall be the vote cast for the successful candidate for secretary  
 39 of state at the last preceding general election of secretary of state.

40 Sec. 23. K.S.A. 25-4153 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
 41 4153. (a) The aggregate amount contributed to a candidate and such  
 42 candidate's candidate committee and to all party committees and political  
 43 committees and dedicated to such candidate's campaign, by any political

1 committee or any person except a party committee, the candidate or the  
2 candidate's spouse, shall not exceed the following:

3 (1) For the pair of offices of governor and lieutenant governor or for  
4 other state officers elected from the state as a whole, ~~-\$2,000~~ \$2,900 for  
5 each primary election~~-, or in lieu thereof a caucus or convention of a~~  
6 political party), and an equal amount for each general election.

7 (2) For the office of member of the house of representatives, district  
8 judge, district magistrate judge, district attorney or a candidate for local  
9 office, ~~-\$500~~ \$1,500 for each primary election~~-, or in lieu thereof a caucus~~  
10 or convention of a political party), and an equal amount for each general  
11 election.

12 (3) For the office of state senator or member of the state board of  
13 education, ~~-\$1,000~~ \$2,900 for each primary election~~-, or in lieu thereof a~~  
14 caucus or convention of a political party), and an equal amount for each  
15 general election.

16 (b) For the purposes of this section, the face value of a loan at the end  
17 of the period of time allocable to the primary or general election is the  
18 amount subject to the limitations of this section. A loan in excess of the  
19 limits herein provided may be made during the allocable period if such  
20 loan is reduced to the permissible level, when combined with all other  
21 contributions from the person making such loan, at the end of such  
22 allocable period.

23 (c) For the purposes of this section, all contributions made by  
24 unemancipated children under 18 years of age shall be considered to be  
25 contributions made by the parent or parents of such children. The total  
26 amount of such contribution shall be attributed to a single custodial parent  
27 and 50% of such contribution to each of two parents.

28 (d) (1) The aggregate amount contributed to a state party committee  
29 by a person other than a national party committee or a political committee  
30 shall not exceed \$15,000 in each calendar year; and the aggregate amount  
31 contributed to any other party committee by a person other than a national  
32 party committee or a political committee shall not exceed \$5,000 in each  
33 calendar year.

34 (2) The aggregate amount contributed by a national party committee  
35 to a state party committee shall not exceed \$25,000 in any calendar year,  
36 and the aggregate amount contributed to any other party committee by a  
37 national party committee shall not exceed \$10,000 in any calendar year.

38 (3) The aggregate amount contributed to a party committee by a  
39 political committee shall not exceed \$5,000 in any calendar year.

40 (e) Any political funds which have been collected and were not  
41 subject to the reporting requirements of this act shall be deemed a person  
42 subject to these contribution limitations.

43 (f) Any political funds which have been collected and were subject to

1 the reporting requirements of the campaign finance act shall not be used in  
 2 or for the campaign of a candidate for a federal elective office.

3 (g) The amount contributed by each individual party committee of the  
 4 same political party other than a national party committee to any candidate  
 5 for office, for any primary election at which two or more candidates are  
 6 seeking the nomination of such party shall not exceed the following:

7 (1) For the pair of offices of governor and lieutenant governor and for  
 8 each of the other state officers elected from the state as a whole, ~~\$2,000~~  
 9 ~~\$2,900~~ for each primary election~~—~~, or in lieu thereof a caucus or  
 10 convention of a political party).

11 (2) For the office of member of the house of representatives, district  
 12 judge, district magistrate judge, district attorney or a candidate for local  
 13 office, ~~\$500~~ ~~\$1,500~~ for each primary election~~—~~, or in lieu thereof a caucus  
 14 or convention of a political party).

15 (3) For the office of state senator or member of the state board of  
 16 education, ~~\$1,000~~ ~~\$2,900~~ for each primary election~~—~~, or in lieu thereof a  
 17 caucus or convention of a political party).

18 (h) When a candidate for a specific cycle does not run for office, the  
 19 contribution limitations of this section shall apply as though the individual  
 20 had sought office.

21 (i) No person shall make any contribution or contributions to any  
 22 candidate or the candidate committee of any candidate in the form of  
 23 money or currency of the United States which in the aggregate exceeds  
 24 \$100 for any one primary or general election, and no candidate or  
 25 candidate committee of any candidate shall accept any contribution or  
 26 contributions in the form of money or currency of the United States which  
 27 in the aggregate exceeds \$100 from any one person for any one primary or  
 28 general election.

29 (j) *Commencing on the day following the general election in 2024,*  
 30 *and on such day in every even-numbered year thereafter, the contribution*  
 31 *amount limits established in subsections (a) and (g) shall increase by an*  
 32 *amount equal to the contribution amount limit on the immediately*  
 33 *preceding day multiplied by the average percentage increase in the*  
 34 *consumer price index for all urban consumers for the immediately*  
 35 *preceding 12 months as published by the bureau of labor statistics of the*  
 36 *United States department of labor. If such new contribution amount limit is*  
 37 *not a multiple of \$100, such amount shall be rounded to the nearest*  
 38 *multiple of \$100. The governmental ethics commission shall calculate the*  
 39 *new contribution amount limits in accordance with this section and*  
 40 *publish such limits on the commission's website.*

41 Sec. 24. K.S.A. 25-4153a is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
 42 4153a. (a) No registered lobbyist; *or political committee* ~~or person, other~~  
 43 ~~than an individual~~, shall make a contribution after January 1 of each year

1 and prior to adjournment sine die of the regular session of the legislature  
2 or at any other time in which the legislature is in session to a:

- 3 (1) Legislator;
- 4 (2) candidate for membership in the legislature;
- 5 (3) state officer elected on a statewide basis;
- 6 (4) candidate for state officer elected on a statewide basis;
- 7 (5) candidate committee of persons described in paragraphs (1)  
8 through (4); or
- 9 (6) political committee established by a state committee of any  
10 political party and designated as a recognized political committee for the  
11 senate or house of representatives.

12 (b) No legislator, officer, candidate or committee described in  
13 subsection (a)(1) through (6) shall accept ~~or knowingly solicit~~ any  
14 contribution, as defined by K.S.A. 25-4143, and amendments thereto, from  
15 any registered lobbyist; *or* political committee ~~or person, other than an~~  
16 ~~individual~~, during such period of time described in subsection (a), ~~except~~  
17 ~~that a general public solicitation which does not solicit a specific~~  
18 ~~individual and is distributed via social media shall be permissible.~~

19 ~~(c) For the purposes of this act, "social media" means an electronic~~  
20 ~~medium which allows users to create and view user-generated content,~~  
21 ~~including, but not limited to, uploaded or downloaded videos or~~  
22 ~~photographs, blogs, audio files, instant messages or email.~~

23 Sec. 25. K.S.A. 71-1413 is hereby amended to read as follows: 71-  
24 1413. (a) Elections of trustees of community colleges shall be conducted  
25 by the county election officer of the county in which the main campus of  
26 the college is located. In any college district having territory in more than  
27 one county, the county election officers of all such counties shall cooperate  
28 with the county election officer of the county in which the main campus is  
29 located, and upon establishing any new community college or adding  
30 territory to any of the community college districts, the state board, in  
31 accordance with this section, shall specify the county in which the main  
32 campus shall be located for the purpose of this section. General  
33 community college elections shall be held on the Tuesday following the  
34 first Monday in November of each odd-numbered year.

35 (b) Any primary community college election shall be held on the first  
36 ~~Tuesday of August~~ *following the first Monday in June* of each odd-  
37 numbered year in accordance with K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments  
38 thereto.

39 (c) Notice of the time and place of holding each primary and general  
40 election shall be published by the county election officer in a newspaper  
41 published in the county in accordance with K.S.A. 25-105 and 25-209, and  
42 amendments thereto.

43 Sec. 26. K.S.A. 71-1414 is hereby amended to read as follows: 71-

1 1414. (a) (1) In college districts where a district method of election is in  
2 effect, a person may become a candidate for election to trustee of a  
3 community college by any one of the following methods:

4 (A) Any person who is an elector of any member district may petition  
5 to be a candidate for member from the member district in which such  
6 person resides. Any such person shall file with the election officer a  
7 petition for such person's candidacy signed by not less than 50 electors  
8 residing in such person's member district.

9 (B) Any person who is an elector of any member district may become  
10 a candidate for member from the member district in which such person  
11 resides by filing with the election officer a declaration of intent to be such  
12 a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of \$20.

13 (C) If a community college adopts and implements a seven member  
14 board of trustees plan, any person who is an elector of the college district  
15 may petition to be a candidate for the at-large member position. Any such  
16 person shall file with the county election officer a petition for such  
17 candidacy signed by not less than 50 electors residing in such college  
18 district.

19 (D) If a community college adopts and implements a seven member  
20 board of trustees plan, any person who is an elector of the college district  
21 may become a candidate for the at-large member position by filing with  
22 the county election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate,  
23 and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of \$20.

24 (2) Every petition or declaration of intent filed under this subsection  
25 must specify the member position for which the person is a candidate.

26 (b) In college districts where the election-at-large method of election  
27 is in effect, a person may become a candidate for election to trustee of a  
28 community college by either one of the following methods:

29 (1) Any person who is an elector of the college district may petition  
30 to be a candidate for trustee. Any such person shall file with the election  
31 officer a petition for such person's candidacy signed by not less than 50  
32 electors residing in the college district.

33 (2) Any person who is an elector of the college district may become a  
34 candidate for trustee by filing with the election officer a declaration of  
35 intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the  
36 amount of \$20.

37 (c) Every petition or declaration of intent filed under this section must  
38 be filed on or before 12 noon on ~~June~~ *April* 1 of each odd-numbered year  
39 as provided in K.S.A. 25-205 and 25-21a03, and amendments thereto, ~~and~~  
40 ~~K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto.~~

41 Sec. 27. K.S.A. 71-1422 is hereby amended to read as follows: 71-  
42 1422. (a) As used in this section:

43 (1) "Cowley county community college district" means the taxing



1 district of Cowley county community college.

2 (2) "Sumner county election officer" means the county clerk of  
3 Sumner county.

4 (3) "Additional member" means the additional trustee position on the  
5 board of trustees of Cowley county community college elected by the  
6 qualified electors residing in Sumner county.

7 (b) Subject to the provisions of subsection (e):

8 (1) The board of trustees of Cowley county community college shall  
9 be composed of board members from Cowley county community college  
10 elected pursuant to K.S.A. 71-1401 et seq., and amendments thereto, and  
11 an additional member elected by the qualified electors of Sumner county.  
12 The board of trustees of Cowley county community college shall adopt  
13 and implement an additional member plan as provided in this section. The  
14 board's additional member plan shall include a determination as to whether  
15 the board has adopted a six or seven member plan for member elections in  
16 the Cowley county community college district. The provisions of K.S.A.  
17 71-1401 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall apply to the member  
18 elections in the Cowley county community college district.

19 (2) The general election for the additional member shall be conducted  
20 as an at large election in Sumner county and held on the Tuesday  
21 following the first Monday in November of each odd-numbered year.

22 (3) Any primary election for the additional member shall be  
23 conducted as an at large election in Sumner county and held on the first  
24 Tuesday ~~of August~~ *following the first Monday in June* of each odd-  
25 numbered year in accordance with K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments  
26 thereto.

27 (4) Notice of the time and place of holding each primary and general  
28 election shall be published by the Sumner county election officer in  
29 accordance with K.S.A. 25-105 and 25-209, and amendments thereto.

30 (5) If there are more than three candidates for the additional member,  
31 the Sumner county election officer shall call and hold a primary election.  
32 The names of the two candidates who receive the greatest number of votes  
33 at the primary election shall appear on the ballots in the general election. If  
34 there are three or fewer candidates, there shall not be a primary election  
35 and the names of the candidates shall be placed on the ballots in the  
36 general election.

37 (6) If an additional member is to be elected to fill an unexpired term,  
38 the Sumner county election officer shall call and hold a primary election if  
39 there are more than three candidates for such unexpired term. The names  
40 of two candidates for such unexpired term receiving the greatest number of  
41 votes shall appear on the ballots in the general election. If there are three  
42 or fewer candidates for the unexpired term of the additional member, there  
43 shall not be a primary election and the names of the candidates shall be

1 placed on the ballots in the general election.

2 (7) In general elections for the additional member, one blank line for  
3 the names of write-in candidates shall be printed on the ballots at the end  
4 of the list of candidates. The purpose of such blank line shall be to permit  
5 the voter to insert the name of any person not printed on the ballot for  
6 whom such voter desires to vote for such position. No lines for write-in  
7 candidates shall appear on primary election ballots for the additional  
8 member.

9 (8) All qualified electors who reside in Sumner county may vote in  
10 both the primary and general elections for the additional member.

11 (9) The provisions of K.S.A. 71-1419, and amendments thereto, shall  
12 apply to elections for the additional member.

13 (c) (1) A person may become a candidate for election to the additional  
14 member trustee of the Cowley county community college board of trustees  
15 by either one of the following methods:

16 (A) Any person who is an elector of Sumner county may petition to  
17 be a candidate for the additional member trustee by filing with the Sumner  
18 county election officer a petition for such person's candidacy signed by not  
19 less than 50 electors residing in Sumner county; or

20 (B) any person who is an elector of Sumner county may become a  
21 candidate for the additional member trustee by filing with the Sumner  
22 county election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate and  
23 payment of a filing fee in the amount of \$20.

24 (2) Every petition or declaration of intent filed under this subsection  
25 shall be filed on or before 12 p.m. on ~~June~~ April 1 of each odd-numbered  
26 year as provided in K.S.A. 25-205 and 25-21a03, and amendments thereto;  
27 ~~and K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto.~~

28 (d) The first additional member shall be elected for a two-year term  
29 commencing on the second Monday in January, 2018, following the  
30 election. All subsequent additional members shall be elected for a four-  
31 year term commencing on the second Monday in January following the  
32 election.

33 (e) The Cowley county community college board of trustees shall be  
34 composed of those members elected pursuant to K.S.A. 71-1401 et seq.,  
35 and amendments thereto, and the additional member, for so long as  
36 Sumner county provides financial support for the benefit of Cowley  
37 county community college in the form of a countywide retailers' sales tax  
38 or an ad valorem property tax levied on all taxable tangible property  
39 located in Sumner county. If Sumner county terminates such financial  
40 support or if the financial support lapses:

41 (1) The Cowley county community college board of trustees shall  
42 discontinue implementation of the additional member plan at the  
43 expiration of the additional member's term or upon the vacancy of the

1 additional member position;

2 (2) the Cowley county community college board of trustees shall  
3 send notice of discontinued financial support to the Sumner county  
4 election officer;

5 (3) upon receipt of such notice, the Sumner county election officer  
6 shall not conduct or authorize any general or primary election to fill the  
7 expiring term of the additional member or to fill any vacancy of the  
8 additional member position; and

9 (4) the additional member may continue to serve as the additional  
10 member on the Cowley county board of trustees until the expiration of  
11 such member's term of office or until a vacancy occurs in the additional  
12 member position.

13 (f) Elections for the board of trustee members from the Cowley  
14 county community college district shall continue to be conducted pursuant  
15 to K.S.A. 71-1401 et seq., and amendments thereto.

16 Sec. 28. K.S.A. 25-203, 25-205, 25-302a, 25-1115, 25-1122, 25-1903,  
17 25-2006, 25-2010, 25-2018, 25-2102, 25-2107, 25-2108a, 25-2109, 25-  
18 21a01, 25-21a03, 25-2502, 25-26a03, 25-3801, 25-3901, 25-4004, 25-  
19 4005, 25-4153, 25-4153a, 71-1413, 71-1414 and 71-1422 and K.S.A. 2022  
20 Supp. 19-3505 are hereby repealed.

21 Sec. 29. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
22 publication in the statute book.