

**HOUSE BILL No. 2270**

By Committee on Elections

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; relating to precinct committeemen and  
2 committeewomen; requiring such elected officials to report certain  
3 contact information to the county election officer; requiring the county  
4 election officer to report such contact information to the secretary of  
5 state; amending K.S.A. 25-3801 and repealing the existing section.  
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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 Section 1. K.S.A. 25-3801 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
9 3801. (a) At each primary election, the members of the party residing in  
10 each precinct in each county of the state shall elect a man of their number  
11 as precinct committeeman and a woman of their number as precinct  
12 committeewoman. No person shall be eligible to be a candidate for or hold  
13 the office of precinct committeeman or precinct committeewoman of a  
14 party in any precinct unless ~~such~~ the person actually lives, resides and  
15 occupies a place of abode in ~~such~~ the precinct, and is in all other respects a  
16 qualified elector and is shown as a member of ~~such~~ the party on the party  
17 affiliation list, in the office of the county election officer.

18 (b) Except as provided in subsection ~~(b)~~ (c), any vacancy occurring in  
19 the office of precinct committeeman or committeewoman shall be  
20 promptly filled by appointment by the county chairperson, ~~except that~~.  
21 Any vacancy ~~which~~ that occurs because the party had no candidate at ~~such~~  
22 the primary election shall not be filled until the county central committee  
23 has elected or reelected its chairperson. Not later than three days after  
24 appointment of precinct committeemen and committeewomen, the county  
25 chairperson making the appointments shall notify the county election  
26 officer of ~~such~~ the appointments and include the name, address, email  
27 address, if available, and a phone number or phone numbers, including a  
28 mobile phone number, if available, of each appointee in such notification.  
29 The county election officer shall make ~~such~~ the appointments public  
30 immediately upon receipt thereof. ~~As used in this act, "primary election"~~  
31 ~~means the statewide election held in August of even-numbered years.~~

32 ~~(b)(c)~~ (1) When a convention is to be held under article 39 of chapter  
33 25 of Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, to fill a  
34 vacancy, no appointments shall be made under subsection (a):

35 ~~(+)~~(A) After the county chairperson has received notice from the  
36 county election officer of a vacancy or a pending vacancy in a county

1 elected office; or

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

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

10 (d) *If a precinct committeeman or committeewoman is elected as a*  
11 *write-in candidate, the county clerk shall request from the appropriate*  
12 *county chairperson the name, address, email address, if available, and a*  
13 *phone number or phone numbers, including a mobile phone number, if*  
14 *available, of such elected precinct committeeman or committeewoman.*

15 (e) *Each precinct committeeman and committeewoman shall report*  
16 *any changes in such person's name, address, email address and phone*  
17 *numbers to the county election officer not later than 10 days after such*  
18 *change.*

19 (f) *The county election officer shall send to the secretary of state*  
20 *within seven days of each primary election in even-numbered years a list*  
21 *of each person that holds the office of precinct committeeman or*  
22 *committeewoman along with the name, address, phone number and email*  
23 *address, if available, of each such person. The county officer shall report*  
24 *all updates of such information at the time such updates are received to*  
25 *the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall keep an updated list of*  
26 *all precinct committeepersons, including their names, addresses, phone*  
27 *numbers and their email addresses, if available.*

28 (g) *As used in this section, "primary election" means the election held*  
29 *on the first Tuesday in August of even-numbered years.*

30 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-3801 is hereby repealed.

31 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
32 publication in the statute book.