

SENATE BILL No. 390

By Senator Hilderbrand

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; relating to handling of ballots by election
2 workers; requiring the secretary of state and ~~local~~ **county** election
3 ~~officer~~ **officers** to develop an affidavit to be signed by such workers
4 listing certain information.

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

7 Section 1. **(a)** The secretary of state, in consultation with ~~local~~ **county**
8 election officers, shall develop an affidavit system to be utilized for the
9 handling of ballots ~~received from voters~~. Each person ~~in a local election~~
10 ~~office~~ who handles ~~such~~ ballots **for a county election office** shall be
11 required to sign an affidavit listing, if applicable, the:

- 12 ~~(a)~~**(1)** Number of blank ballots;
13 ~~(b)~~**(2)** number of spoiled ballots;
14 ~~(c)~~**(3)** number of provisional ballots;
15 ~~(d)~~**(4)** **number of counted ballots;**
16 **(5)** name of the person from whom such ballots were received; and
17 ~~(e)~~**(6)** location of where the ballots were received.

18 **(b)** *The affidavit system developed under this section shall apply to*
19 *all ballots received, handled and collected by county election offices*
20 *prior to, on and after the date of an election and shall operate in*
21 *conjunction with the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2707, 25-2708 and 25-*
22 *2709, and amendments thereto, regarding transporting, preserving and*
23 *destroying ballots and election records.*

24 **(c)** **(1)** *It shall be a violation of this section to alter any information*
25 *provided in an affidavit or provide false information in an affidavit with*
26 *the intent to hinder, prevent or defeat a fair election.*

27 **(2)** *A violation of this section is a severity level 9, nonperson felony.*

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