AN ACT concerning elections; amending K.S.A. 80-202 and K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 25-21a03 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 25-21a03 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-21a03. (a) The secretary of state shall develop the style and form of the official primary ballot and the official general election ballot for municipal offices.

(b) The declaration of intent to become a candidate shall be prescribed by the county election officer not later than 12 noon, June 1, prior to the primary election in both even-numbered and odd-numbered years, or if such date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, then before 12 noon of the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or holiday.

(c) For municipalities where a primary election is not authorized or otherwise required by law, the declaration of intent to become a candidate shall be filed with the county election officer not later than 12 noon, September 1, prior to the general election on the second Monday in January when the term of such election.

(d) The secretary of state shall establish primary election procedures for primary elections for municipalities.

(e) The secretary of state shall establish general election procedures for general elections for municipalities.

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

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

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 80-202 is hereby amended to read as follows: 80-202. Every person elected to the office of trustee, clerk or treasurer of any township, or road overseer of any road district, shall be an elector of said township or road district at the time of his or her such election, and shall within twenty (20) days after he shall be notified of his or her election take and subscribe the oath of office prescribed by law, and shall forthwith cause such election to be held on the second Monday in January when the term of
office begins. The oath shall be filed in the office of the county clerk of his or her county; and. In case any of such officers shall become a nonresident of their respective townships or road districts, their offices shall at once become vacant.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 80-202 and K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 25-21a03 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.