

Proposed Constitutional Amendment—Legislative Oversight of Administrative Rules and Regulations; HCR 5014

HCR 5014, if approved by voters, would amend the *Kansas Constitution* to create a new section in Article 1 concerning legislative oversight of administrative rules and regulations. The new section would provide that, whenever the Legislature by law has authorized any officer or agency within the Executive Branch to adopt rules and regulations that have the force and effect of law, the Legislature may provide by law for revocation or suspension of any such rules and regulation, or any portion thereof, by a majority vote of the members of each house.

The resolution requires the following explanatory statement be printed on the ballot with the text of the amendment when submitted to voters for their approval:

The purpose of this amendment is to provide the legislature with oversight of state executive branch agencies and officials by providing the legislature authority to establish procedures to revoke or suspend rules and regulations.

A vote for this proposition would allow the legislature to establish procedures to revoke or suspend rules and regulations that are adopted by state executive branch agencies and officials that have the force and effect of law.

A vote against this proposition would allow state executive branch agencies and officials to continue adopting rules and regulations that have the force and effect of law without any opportunity for the legislature to directly revoke or suspend such rules and regulations.

The text of the resolution and the yea and nay votes of both the Kansas House of Representatives and the Kansas Senate will be published in the journals of both chambers.

The resolution requires the Secretary of State to publish the resolution and to submit the proposed constitutional amendment to voters at the 2022 General Election, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the Legislature, in which case it will be submitted to voters at the special election.