HOUSE BILL No. 2126


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

New Section 1. (a) All primary elections for members of the governing body and other elected officials of any municipality shall be held on the first Tuesday in August of even-numbered years and all general elections for members of the governing body and other elected officials of any municipality shall be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November of even-numbered years.

(b) The term of members of governing bodies and other elected officials that would expire at any time in 2013 shall expire on the second Monday in January, 2013, when newly elected members of the governing body and other newly elected officials shall take office.

(c) Primary elections for any municipality shall be held if there are three or more candidates for an elected position. The names of the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for any position at the primary election shall appear on the ballot at the general election.

(d) The filing deadline for all candidates for any municipality unless
otherwise provided by law shall be as provided in K.S.A. 25-205, and
amendments thereto.
(e) "Municipality" means any city, school district, community
college, drainage district, extension district, irrigation district, library
district created under K.S.A. 12-1236 et seq., and amendments thereto,
and water districts created under K.S.A. 19-3501 et seq., and amendments
thereto. The term does not include any municipality where the election of
members of the governing body is conducted at a meeting of the
municipality.

New Sec. 2. (a) Any city may adopt by ordinance one of the
following forms of government:
1. Commission;
2. mayor-council;
3. commission-manager;
4. mayor-council-manager;
5. council-manager; or
6. any other form of government authorized by law or by ordinance
or charter ordinance of the city.
(b) Any city which has operated for four or more years under a form
of government may abandon such form and adopt a different form of
government. The provisions of K.S.A. 12-184, and amendments thereto,
shall govern the procedure for the adoption or abandonment of such form
of government.
(c) The governing body of the city may establish by ordinance any
of the following:
(1) The powers and duties of the governing body including the
mayor and other elected officials;
(2) the term of office of members of the governing body including
the mayor and other elected officials;
(3) the election by ward or district of members of the governing
body, if applicable;
(4) the powers and duties of the city manager, if applicable;
(5) the administrative departments of the city; and
(6) other matters deemed appropriate by the governing body.

New Sec. 3. All existing ordinances and charter ordinances relating
to a city's form of government, except those provisions relating to the
timing of city primary and general elections, shall remain in effect until
amended or repealed by such city.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2-623 is hereby amended to read as follows: 2-623.
(a) Prior to July 1 of any year, any two or more county extension councils
may establish an extension district composed of all of the counties of
such councils by entering into an agreement in accordance with this
section to combine the extension programs for each county involved into
one extension program serving the extension district. No such agreement
shall be effective unless such agreement has received the prior approval
of: (1) The board of county commissioners of each county included in the
proposed extension district, subject to the provisions of subsection (i); (2)
the executive board of the extension council of each county included in
the proposed extension district and the director of extension of Kansas
state university of agriculture and applied science, or the director's
authorized representative, acting together as a body; and (3) the attorney
general in accordance with subsection (h).

(b) Prior to July 1 of any year, one or more county extension
councils and the governing body of any existing extension district may
establish a new extension district by entering into an agreement in
accordance with this section to combine the extension programs for each
such county and such district into one extension program serving a new
extension district composed of all counties represented by such county
extension councils and the area served by the existing extension district.
No such agreement shall be effective unless such agreement has received
the prior approval of: (1) The board of county commissioners of each
county being added to the existing extension district, subject to the
provisions of subsection (i); (2) the executive board of the county
extension council of each county being added to the existing extension
district, the governing body of the existing extension district and the
director of extension of Kansas state university of agriculture and applied
science, or the director's authorized representative, acting together as a
body; and (3) the attorney general in accordance with subsection (h).

(c) On July 1 after the approval under subsection (a) or (b) of an
agreement to establish an extension district, such extension district is
hereby established and shall constitute a body corporate and politic
possessing the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes under
the name of "extension district no. _________ (the number designated by
the director of extension), ________ counties (naming the counties
included within the district), state of Kansas." Each extension district is a
taxing subdivision and has the power to contract, sue and be sued and to
acquire, hold and convey real and personal property in accordance with
law.

(d) Upon the establishment of an extension district under subsection
(a) or (b), all of the personnel and property of each of the extension
programs which are combined into the new district extension programs
shall be transferred to the new extension district and shall be subject to
the authority of the governing body of the extension district in accordance
with the agreement to establish the extension district.

(e) Upon the establishment of an extension district under subsection
(a), the board of county commissioners of each county joining in the
establishing of an extension district shall appoint four qualified electors to membership on the governing body of the district. The terms of all members so appointed shall commence on July 1 following their appointment. Of the members so appointed two members shall serve for terms ending upon the election and qualification of their successors at an election held on the first Tuesday in April of the first odd-numbered year following the first Monday in November of the first even-numbered year following their appointment and two members shall serve for terms ending upon the election and qualification of their successors at an election held on the first Tuesday in April of the second odd-numbered year following the first Monday in November of the second even-numbered year following their appointment.

(f) In the case of one or more counties being included in an existing extension district under subsection (b), the board of county commissioners of each county being included in an existing extension district shall appoint four qualified electors of the county to membership on the governing body of the expanded district. The terms of all members so appointed shall commence on July 1 following their appointment. Of the members so appointed two members shall serve for terms ending upon the election and qualification of their successors at an election held on the first Tuesday in April of the first odd-numbered year following the first Monday in November of the first even-numbered year following their appointment and two members shall serve for terms ending upon the election and qualification of their successors at an election held on the first Tuesday in April of the second odd-numbered year following the first Monday in November of the second even-numbered year following their appointment. The offices of the members of the governing body of the existing extension district shall continue in existence and the persons in such offices shall be members of the governing body of the expanded extension district which is established on July 1 for the remainder of their existing terms of office.

(g) In addition to other required provisions, each agreement entered into under this section shall specify the permissible method or methods to be employed in disposing of the assets and liabilities of the extension district in the event that one or more counties withdraw from the extension district under K.S.A. 2-628, and amendments thereto.

(h) Each agreement entered into under this section or under K.S.A. 2-628, and amendments thereto, prior to and as a condition precedent to its entry into force, shall be submitted to the attorney general who shall determine whether the agreement is in proper form and compatible with this act and the other laws of Kansas. The attorney general shall approve any agreement submitted for approval under this section or K.S.A. 2-628, and amendments thereto, unless the attorney general finds that the
submitted agreement does not meet the requirements of this act. In such case, the attorney general shall specify in writing to the proposed parties to the agreement and to each other entity required to approve the agreement, the specific respects in which the proposed agreement fails to meet the requirements of law. Failure by the attorney general to disapprove an agreement submitted pursuant to this subsection within 90 days of its submission shall constitute approval of the agreement by the attorney general.

(i) Prior to approving an agreement under this section, the board of county commissioners of each county to be included in a proposed extension district under subsection (a) or to be added to an existing extension district under subsection (b), as the case may be, shall adopt a resolution stating the intention of the board of county commissioners to approve such agreement and specifying the counties that are to be included in the extension district. Such resolution shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official county newspaper. If, within 60 days following the last publication of the resolution, a petition in opposition to the approval of the agreement and the inclusion of the county in the extension district is signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors of the county and is filed with the county election officer, such board of county commissioners shall not approve such agreement and the county shall not be included in the extension district unless and until the same is approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the county voting thereon at a primary election or general election or at a special election called and held for such purpose. Any such special election shall be called, noticed and held in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 10-120, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2-624 is hereby amended to read as follows: 2-624.
(a) The governing body of each extension district shall be composed of four representatives from each county included in the extension district. At the conclusion of the terms of the members first appointed to membership on the governing body of the district, the four members representing each county in an extension district shall be elected in a countywide election by the qualified electors of the county.

(b) At the conclusion of the terms of the members first appointed to membership on the governing body of the district, each member of the governing body shall hold office for a term of four years and until such member's successor is elected and qualified. Each such term of office shall commence on the date of receipt of certification of election by the member elected and shall continue until the member's successor is elected and qualified.

(c) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, an election to elect successors to members of the governing body whose terms are expiring
shall be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in April November in each odd-numbered even-numbered year.

(2) Elections to choose members of the governing body of an extension district shall be conducted, the returns made and the results ascertained in the manner provided by law for general county elections, except as otherwise provided by this act. Not later than 12:00 noon of the Wednesday next following the Tuesday, five weeks preceding the first Tuesday in April in odd-numbered years, each person desiring to be a candidate for membership on the governing body, in any election, shall file a declaration of candidacy as provided in K.S.A. 25-205 and amendments thereto, with the county election officer of the county represented by the member of the governing body whose successor is to be elected, as a candidate in such election. The county election officer in making up the ballots and in placing the names thereon shall place the names on the ballots in alphabetical order.

(3) The county election officer of each county within the extension district shall appoint election boards as provided by law for other elections and shall designate places for holding the election. The county election officer shall cause to be ascertained the names of all persons within the district who are qualified electors, and shall furnish lists thereof to the judges of the election. Notice of the time and place of holding each election, signed by the county election officer, shall be given in a newspaper published in the county and posted in a conspicuous place in the office of the governing body at least five days before the holding thereof.

(4) All election expenses shall be paid by the extension district. Election officials shall receive the same compensation as provided under the general election laws.

(e) Any vacancy in the membership of the governing body of an extension district shall be filled by appointment by the governing body for the unexpired term of office. Each member so appointed shall be a resident of the county which was represented by the member creating the vacancy.

(f) The governing body of each extension district shall organize annually in July January by electing from among its members a chairperson, vice-chairperson, secretary and treasurer.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 19-3505 is hereby amended to read as follows: 19-3505. (a) Except as otherwise provided by this section, the governing body of any water district to which this section applies shall be a five-member board holding positions numbered one to five, inclusive. Each member shall be elected and shall hold office from May December 1 following such member's election until April 30 November 30, four years thereafter and until a successor is elected and has qualified.
The first election of members of the governing body of any water district created after the effective date of this act shall be held on the first Tuesday in August of any even-numbered year, at which time members shall be elected for terms beginning on September 1 of the same year, and ending on April 30 of the third year following the beginning of such term, to positions numbered three, four and five. At such first election, members shall be elected for terms ending on April 30 of the first year following the beginning of such terms, to positions numbered one and two. Members first elected to positions one and two shall have terms of approximately eight months. Elections shall be thereafter held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November in April of each odd-numbered year of each even-numbered year for the member positions whose terms expire in that year.

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

(c) Elections shall be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November in April of each odd-numbered year of each even-numbered year for the positions which terms expire in that year. Members shall hold office from May 1, 1991, following such member's election until April 30, four years thereafter and until a successor is elected and qualified. All elections shall be nonpartisan and shall be called and conducted by the county election officer. Laws applying to other local elections occurring at the same time and in the same locality shall apply to elections under this act to the extent that the same can be made to apply.

(d) Following each election the board shall organize and not later than the second regular meeting following each election shall select from among its members a chairperson and a vice-chairperson. The vice-chairperson shall preside over any meetings at which the chairperson is not present. Vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment by the remaining members. All members shall take an oath of office as prescribed for other public officials. The members of the board shall be qualified electors in the water district. Prior to accepting office, the water district shall obtain for each member-elect a corporate surety bond to the state of Kansas in the amount of $10,000, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the member's duties and for the true and faithful accounting of all money that may come into the member's hands by virtue of the office. Such bonds shall be filed in the office of the county clerk for the county in which the major portion of such water district is located after approval by the board of
(e) Each member of the board shall receive a monthly salary in an amount determined by the board and shall be reimbursed for all necessary and reasonable expenses incurred in performing official assigned duties.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 19-3507 is hereby amended to read as follows: 19-3507. (a) The water district election shall be held in each election precinct, a part or all of which is located within such water district, except that if no other election is being held in a given election precinct on the same date as the water district election, the county election officer may provide one or more convenient voting places where the water district electors of such precinct may vote, which may be a voting place located in another precinct. The county election officer shall designate such voting places and the persons entitled to vote thereat in the election notice. The county election officer shall make a report in writing to the board of county commissioners of such election precincts and voting places, which report shall be filed with the county clerk of the county or counties in which such precincts and voting places are located and an entry thereof made upon the journal of the board or boards of county commissioners of such county or counties and if any change shall be made in such voting precincts and voting places by the county election officer, the same shall in like manner be reported to the board or boards of county commissioners, filed and entered as aforesaid. The polls for any election held under this act shall be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

(b) All qualified persons desiring to be voted upon as a candidate for a position as a member of such board shall file a declaration of candidacy as provided in K.S.A 25-205 and amendments thereto, on or before 12:00 o'clock 12 noon on the Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April of the year in which the election is being held, which date shall be stated in the publication notice of the election, file with the county election officer, with a statement directing such officer to place such the person's name on the ballot as a candidate for member of the board of the water district in such the election, indicating the number of the position for which such the person is filing. No candidate shall be permitted to withdraw as a candidate after the deadline for filing such statements of candidacy. There shall be no primary election for members of the water district board. The county election officer shall publish names of all candidates in a newspaper of general circulation within the water district not less than 10 days before such election. The county election officer shall provide for use of voting machines or printed ballots in each election precinct or voting place. Where printed ballots are prepared, the same shall be done at the expense of the water district. The names of candidates for each member position shall be rotated on the
ballots in such a manner that each candidate shall be given an equitable opportunity to have such candidate's name appear first on the ballot. Where the only election being conducted in an election precinct or voting place is the water district election, the cost of providing judges and clerks in such precinct or voting place shall be borne entirely by the water district, but where held in conjunction with other elections, the cost shall be prorated in the manner provided by article 22 of chapter 25 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

(c) At least five days before any election, the county election officers of the various counties within which a portion of such district is located, in cooperation with the water district board, shall determine the voting areas where no other elections will be held in conjunction with the water district and the names of all qualified electors residing in the water district and located in such precincts and shall determine the election precincts which contain only a part of the water district and the names of all qualified electors residing in the water district and in such election precincts. A list of the qualified electors determined as hereinbefore provided shall be furnished by the county election officer to the judges of the voting precincts or voting places where such electors are entitled to vote.

(d) Qualified electors of any election precinct, the entirety of which is within the water district, shall be entitled to vote in such precinct and a separate list of their names need not be furnished.

(e) A voter shall not be eligible to vote in any election precinct other than the one in which such person resides unless no election is being held in such precinct, in which event, such voter shall be entitled to vote in the voting place designated by the county election officer.

(f) Such list furnished by the county election officer to the judges of each precinct shall be conclusive at all elections, except that one desirous of voting, whose name does not appear on such list, may proceed to the county election officer of the county and such officer may administer oaths and affirm witnesses to determine the right of anyone to vote who may claim erroneous omission from such list, and if such officer issues a certificate entitling the voter to vote, such certificate shall be accepted by the judges and clerks of the election. The list so furnished by the county election officer shall be conclusive at all elections held within the same year that the list is furnished.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 24-412 is hereby amended to read as follows: 24-412.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an election to choose three directors in each district as their successors, shall be held on the first Tuesday in April, 1983, and an election shall be held every four years thereafter, on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November in April, to choose directors. Directors elected in any district in
1980 or 1981 shall hold their office until successors are elected and qualified at the election in April, 1983.

(b) An election to choose three directors in each district as their successors shall be held on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November, 2012, and an election shall be held each four years thereafter, on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November, to choose directors. Any director elected in any district in 2009 shall hold such office until such successor is elected and qualified.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 24-459 is hereby amended to read as follows: 24-459. (a) The board of directors of any drainage district incorporated pursuant to K.S.A. 24-458, and amendments thereto, shall consist of three qualified persons as defined in paragraph (3) of subsection (e) of this section.

(b) The directors for the first term after the incorporation of the drainage district shall be selected and designated in the petition for the incorporation of the district and shall be declared directors by the county commissioners to which the petition is presented.

(c) The directors shall hold office until the first Tuesday in April December 1 of an even-numbered year next after the incorporation of the district, at which time and every four years thereafter directors shall be elected and shall hold their office for the term of four years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

(d) Every qualified person of the district shall be entitled to vote at the election or at any election which may be held in the district.

(e) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Owner" or "person who owns land" means any person or entity who is the record owner of the fee in any real estate in the district or the fee in the surface rights of any real estate in the district, but the owners of an oil and gas lease, mineral rights or interest, easements or mortgages as such shall not be considered owners, and school districts, cemetery associations, and municipal corporations shall not be considered owners.

(2) "Taxpayer" means any owner who has paid all taxes currently due on such real estate.

(3) "Qualified person" means any taxpayer 18 years of age or older, whether a resident of the district or not. A taxpayer who is a qualified person and who is not an individual may designate an individual to cast its vote or to serve as a director of the district.

(f) The county clerk shall determine the qualified persons entitled to vote at any election in the district. Any entity desiring to vote at an election shall register the name of its designated representative with the county election officer no later than 14 days in advance of any such election.

Sec. 10. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 24-506 is hereby amended to read as
follows: 24-506. (a) The board of directors of any drainage district incorporated pursuant to K.S.A. 24-501 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall consist of one person from each county in the district if the number of counties is odd, but if the number of counties is even, then there shall be an additional director at large. If the drainage district is located wholly within one county, the number of directors shall be three. Except as provided in subsection (b), the directors shall be freeholders who shall be residents of Kansas, whose lands in whole or in part are located within the district. The directors shall hold their offices for a term of four years and until their successors are elected and qualified. Elections to choose directors, except the first, shall be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November of an even-numbered year and every four years thereafter.

(b) If there are no residents in the drainage district, any owner of land within the district shall be a qualified voter and shall be qualified to hold the office of director.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 25-1115 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-1115. (a) "General election" means the election held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November of even-numbered years, the elections held for officers on the first Tuesday in April, and in the case of special elections of any officers to fill vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.

(b) "Primary election" means the election held on the first Tuesday in August of even-numbered years, the election held five weeks preceding the election on the first Tuesday in April, and any other preliminary election at which part of the candidates for special election to any national, state, county, city or school office are eliminated by the process of the election but at which no officer is finally elected.

Sec. 12. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 25-1122 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-1122. (a) Any registered voter may file with the county election officer where such person is a resident, or where such person is authorized by law to vote as a former precinct resident, an application for an advance voting ballot. The signed application shall be transmitted only to the county election officer by personal delivery, mail, facsimile or as otherwise provided by law.

(b) If the registered voter is applying for an advance voting ballot to be transmitted in person, and such voter is a first-time voter, such voter shall provide a form of valid identification such as a current and valid Kansas driver's license, nondriver's identification card, utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check or other government document containing the voter's current name and address as indicated on the registration book. Such voter shall not be required to provide identification if such voter has previously provided current and valid
identification in the county where registered.

(c) If the registered voter is applying for an advance voting ballot to be transmitted by mail, and such voter is a first-time voter, such voter shall provide on the application for an advance voting ballot the voter's current and valid Kansas driver's license number, nondriver's identification card number or the last four digits of the voter's social security number, or shall provide with the application a copy of the voter's current and valid Kansas driver's license, nondriver's identification card, utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check or other government document containing the voter's current name and address as indicated on the registration book. Such voter shall not be required to provide identification if such voter has previously provided current and valid identification in the county where registered.

(d) If a first-time voter is unable or refuses to provide current and valid identification, or if the name and address do not match the voter's name and address on the registration book, the voter may vote a provisional ballot according to K.S.A. 25-409, and amendments thereto. The voter shall provide a valid form of identification as defined in subsection (c) of this section to the county election officer in person or provide a copy by mail or electronic means before the meeting of the county board of canvassers. At the meeting of the county board of canvassers the county election officer shall present copies of identification received from provisional voters and the corresponding provisional ballots. If the county board of canvassers determines that a voter's identification is valid and the provisional ballot was properly cast, the ballot shall be counted.

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

1. For the primary election occurring on the first Tuesday in August in even-numbered years, between April 1 of such year and the last business day of the week preceding such primary election.
2. For the general election occurring on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November in even-numbered years, between 90 days prior to such election and the last business day of the week preceding such general election.
3. For the primary election held five weeks preceding the first Tuesday in April, between January 1 of the year of such election and the last business day of the week preceding such primary election.
4. For the general election occurring on the first Tuesday in April, between January 1 of the year of such election and the last business day of the week preceding such general election.
5. For question submitted elections occurring on the date of a primary or general election, the same as is provided for ballots for
election of officers at such election.

(6)(4) For question submitted elections not occurring on the date of a primary or general election, between the time of the first published notice thereof and the last business day of the week preceding such question submitted election, except that if the question submitted election is held on a day other than a Tuesday, the county election officer shall determine the final date for mailing of advance voting ballots, but such date shall not be more than three business days before such election.

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

(8)(6) For the presidential preference primary, between January 1 of the year in which such primary is held and the last business day of the week preceding such primary election.

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

(f) Unless an earlier date is designated by the county election office, applications for advance voting ballots transmitted to the voter in person in the office of the county election officer shall be filed on the Tuesday next preceding the election and on each subsequent business day until no later than 12:00 noon on the day preceding such election. If the county election officer so provides, applications for advance voting ballots transmitted to the voter in person in the office of the county election officer also may be filed on the Saturday preceding the election. Upon receipt of any such properly executed application, the county election officer shall deliver to the voter such ballots and instructions as are provided for in this act.

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

The county election officer may designate places other than the central county election office as satellite advance voting sites. At any satellite advance voting site, a registered voter may obtain an application for advance voting ballots. Such ballots and instructions shall be delivered to the voter in the same manner and subject to the same limitations as otherwise provided by this subsection.

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

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

(i) If a person on the permanent advance voting list fails to vote in two consecutive general elections held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year, the county election officer may mail a notice to such voter. Such notice shall inform the voter that the voter's name will be removed from the permanent advance voting list unless the voter renews the application for permanent advance voting status within 30 days after the notice is mailed. If the voter fails to renew such application, the county election officer shall remove the voter's name from the permanent advance voting list. Failure to renew the application for permanent advance voting status shall not result in removal of the voter's name from the voter registration list.

(j) For the purposes of this section, "first-time voter" means a registered voter who has not previously voted in any election in the county in which the voter desires to vote. First-time voter includes a person whose name was removed from the county registration list in
accordance with K.S.A. 25-2316c, and amendments thereto, and who has
re-registered.

(k) The secretary of state may adopt rules and regulations defining
valid forms of identification.

Sec. 13. K.S.A. 25-2006 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
2006. (a) "General election" means the election held for school officers
on the first Tuesday in April in any odd-numbered years succeeding the
first Monday in November of even-numbered years, and in the case of
special elections of any school officers to fill vacancies, the election at
which any such officer is finally elected.

(b) "Primary election" means the election held five weeks preceding
the election on the first Tuesday in April or the first Tuesday in August of
even-numbered years, and any other preliminary election at which part of
the candidates for special election to any school office are eliminated by
the process of the election but at which no officer is finally elected.

Sec. 14. K.S.A. 25-2007 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
2007. (a) "Question submitted election" means any election at which a
special question is to be voted on by the electors of the state or a part of
them.

(b) "County election officer" means:
(1) The election commissioner of the home county of the school
district if such county has an election commissioner,
(2) the county clerk of the home county of the school district if the
county does not have an election commissioner,
(3) the county clerk (or the election commissioner if there is one) of
the county in which all or the greater part of the population is located in
the case of a nonunified school district. In the event that doubt exists
concerning which public officer is the county election officer under this
subpart, the secretary of state shall specify such officer and such
specification shall be conclusive.

(c) "Filing deadline" means the deadline established in K.S.A. 25-
205, and amendments thereto hour, date or time after which it is provided
by law no person may become a candidate for election to public office;
for school elections the filing deadline is 12:00 o'clock noon on the
Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April of any
odd-numbered year.

Sec. 15. K.S.A. 25-2010 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
2010. Election of board members and question submitted elections shall
be conducted by the county election officer of the home county of the
school district. Board member general elections shall be held on the first
Tuesday in April of each odd-numbered year succeeding the first Monday
in November of even-numbered years. If a primary election is required to
be held, such primary election shall be held on the Tuesday preceding by
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five weeks the first Tuesday in April of odd-numbered, the first Tuesday in August of even-numbered years.

Sec. 16. K.S.A. 25-2018 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2018. (a) Notices of board member elections and question submitted elections of a school district shall be made as provided in this section.

(b) On or before January, June 15, the county election officer shall publish a notice of election one time in a newspaper having general circulation in the school district. The notice for board member elections shall state (1) the name of the school district, (2) the date of the general election, (3) the date of the primary election if one is held, (4) the filing deadline and the place of filing, and (5) the offices or positions to be filled.

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

(d) Not less than six weeks prior to the first Tuesday in April in August of any even-numbered year a notice of primary elections shall be published by the county election officer in a newspaper having general circulation in the school district, if a primary election is required to be held. The publication shall be made one time and shall state (1) the name of the school district, (2) the date of the primary election, (3) the names of the candidates and the office or position for which each is a candidate, (4) the voting place or places and the area each voting place is to serve, (5) the times of opening and closing of the polls. Description of areas shall be in the terms determined by the county election officer.

(e) Not less than three days prior to the first Tuesday in April in August of any even-numbered year a notice of the general election shall be published by the county election officer one time in a newspaper having general circulation in the school district. The notice shall state (1) the name of the school district, (2) the date of the general election, (3) the names of the candidates and the office or position for which each is a candidate, (4) the voting place or places and the area each voting place is to serve, (5) the time of opening and closing of polls. Description of areas shall be in such terms as may be determined by the county election officer.

(f) Notice of any question submitted election of any school district shall be made in the manner provided by K.S.A. 10-120, and amendments thereto. The notice shall state (1) the name of the school district, (2) the date of the election, (3) the amount of bonds to be issued, if a bond election, (4) the proposition to be voted upon, (5) the hours of opening and closing of the polls, (6) the voting place or places and the area each
voting place is to serve, and (7) any other information specifically
required by law. Description of areas shall be in the terms determined by
the county election officer.

Sec. 17. K.S.A. 25-2023 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
2023. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), each board member shall
qualify by filing an oath of office with the election officer not later than
ten (10) days following the date of the election, or not later than five
(5) days after issuance of such member's certificate of election, whichever
is the later date. Each board member shall take office on the July 1
following the general school election. Each member elected to a board of
education shall hold office until a successor is elected or appointed and
qualified and shall serve for a term of four (4) years.

(b) Board members elected in 2009 shall hold office until successors
are elected and qualified in 2012. Board members elected in 2011 shall
hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2014.

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

(b) "Primary election" means the election held on the first Tuesday
in August of even-numbered years, the election held five weeks preceding
the election on the first Tuesday in April, and any other preliminary
election at which part of the candidates for special election to any
national, state, county, city or school office are eliminated by the process
of the election but at which no officer is finally elected.

Sec. 19. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 25-2108a is hereby amended to read as
follows: 25-2108a. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), there shall be
a primary election of city officers on the Tuesday preceding by five
weeks the first Tuesday in April, August of every year that such city has a
city election, except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this
section.

(b) A primary election shall be held if needed to reduce the number
of candidates for each office in the general election to no more than three
candidates. No primary election of city officers shall be held unless by
holding such primary two or more persons will be eliminated as
candidates for office. In the event there are not more than three times the
number of candidates as there are officers to be elected, the names of the
candidates for such office shall not appear on the primary election ballots,
and there shall be no primary election for such office, but the names of
such candidates shall be placed on the general city election ballot.

Sec. 20. K.S.A. 25-2109 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
2109. The filing deadline for all city elections shall be as provided in
K.S.A. 25-205 and amendments thereto 12:00 o'clock noon of the
Tuesday preceding by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April.

Sec. 21. K.S.A. 25-2118 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
2118. The city clerk shall certify to the county election officer a list of all
city offices to be voted upon at each city election not later than January 1.

Sec. 22. K.S.A. 25-2120 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
2120. (a) The county election officer who conducts the city election shall
promptly certify to the city governing body the determination of election
results made by the county board of canvassers. Except as provided in
subsection (b), the term of office shall commence with and include the
first regular meeting of the governing body following certification of the
election.

Every person elected or appointed to city office, before entering upon
the duties of such office, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation
as specified in K.S.A. 54-106, and every such oath or affirmation shall be
filed with the city clerk.

(b) (1) Each member of the governing body and city official the
starting date of whose term of office is governed by this section and who
is elected in 2011 shall hold office until the first regular meeting of the
governing body following the certification of the election in 2012.

(2) The term of each city official the starting date of whose term of
office is governed by this section and who is elected in 2012 shall
commence with and include the first regular meeting of the governing
body following the certification of the election.

Sec. 23. K.S.A. 25-2311 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
2311. (a) County election officers shall provide for the registration of
voters at one or more places on all days except the following:

(1) Days when the main offices of the county government are closed
for business, except as is otherwise provided by any county election
officer under the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2312, and amendments thereto;

(2) days when the main offices of the city government are closed for
business, in the case of deputy county election officers who are city
clerks except as is otherwise provided by any county election officer
under the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2312, and amendments thereto;

(3) the 14 days preceding the day of primary and general state
elections;

(4) the 14 days preceding the day of primary city and school
elections, if either has a primary;

(5) the 14 days preceding each first Tuesday following the first
Monday in April of odd-numbered years November of even-numbered
years, being the day of city and school general elections;
(6) the 14 days preceding the day of any election other than one
specified in paragraphs (3), (4) and (5) of this subsection; and
(7) the day of any primary or general election or any question
submitted election.

(b) For the purposes of this section in counting days that registration
books are to be closed, all of the days including Sunday and legal
holidays shall be counted.

(c) The secretary of state shall notify every county election officer of
the dates when registration shall be closed preceding primary and general
state, city and school elections. The days so specified by the secretary of
state shall be conclusive. Such notice shall be given by the secretary of
state by mail at least 60 days preceding every primary and general state,
city and school election.

(d) The last days before closing of registration books as directed by
the secretary of state under subsection (c) of this section, county election
officers shall provide for registration of voters during regular business
hours, during the noon hours and at other than regular business hours
upon such days as the county election officers deem necessary. The last
three business days before closing of registration books prior to state
primary and general elections, county election officers may provide for
registration of voters until 9:00 p.m. in cities of the first and second
class.

(e) County election officers shall accept and process applications
received by voter registration agencies and the division of motor vehicles
not later than the 15th day preceding the date of any election; mailed
voter registration applications that are postmarked not later than the 15th
day preceding the date of any election; or, if the postmark is illegible or
missing, is received in the mail not later than the ninth day preceding the
day of any election.

(f) The secretary of state may adopt rules and regulations
interpreting the provisions of this section and specifying the days when
registration shall be open, days when registration shall be closed, and
days when it is optional with the county election officer for registration to
be open or closed.

(g) Before each primary and general election held in even-numbered
years, and at times and in a form prescribed by the secretary of state, each
county election officer shall certify to the secretary of state the number of
registered voters in each precinct of the county as shown by the
registration books in the office of such county election officer.

Sec. 24. K.S.A. 25-2502 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2502. (a) "General election" means the election held on the Tuesday
succeeding the first Monday in November of even-numbered years, the
elections held for officers on the first Tuesday in April, and in the case of
special elections of any officers to fill vacancies, the election at which
any such officer is finally elected.

(b) "Primary election" means the election held on the first Tuesday
in August of even-numbered years, the election held five weeks preceding
the election on the first Tuesday in April, and any other preliminary
election at which part of the candidates for special election to any
national, state, county, township, city or school office are eliminated by
the process of the election but at which no officer is finally elected.

Sec. 25. K.S.A. 25-3503 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
3503. (a) In the event that any vacancy occurs to which this act applies,
and such occurrence is not more than ninety (90) days and not less than
thirty (30) days before any primary election of state officers, the
election provided for in this act shall be held on the same date as the
primary election of state officers.

(b) In the event that any vacancy occurs to which this act applies,
and such occurrence is not more than ninety (90) days and not less than
thirty (30) days before any regular primary or general election of city and
school officers occurring in an odd-numbered year, the election provided
for in this act shall be held within such ninety (90) days and on the same
date as such primary or general election.

(c) In the event that any vacancy occurs to which this act applies,
and such occurrence is not more than thirty (30) days before any
primary election of state officers and before the general election of state
officers, at such general election votes cast for the office of congressman
in the district in which such vacancy has occurred shall be deemed to be
cast to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term, as well as for the election
for the next regular term. The governor shall proclaim the date of the
election to be the same as the general election of state officers.

(d) In the event that any vacancy occurs to which this act applies,
on or after the date of any general election of state officers and before the
term of office in which the vacancy has occurred expires, votes cast for
the office of congressman in the district in which such vacancy occurs
shall be deemed to have been cast to fill such vacancy for the unexpired
term, as well as for election for the next regular term. The governor's
approval of this act shall be deemed to proclaim that every regular
election of a representative to the United States congress shall be an
election for the unexpired term if any should occur, as well as election for
the next regular term. In cases to which subsection (e) of this section (b)
or this subsection applies, the person elected for the next regular term
shall be deemed to have been elected for the balance of the unexpired
term also.

Sec. 26. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 42-706 is hereby amended to read as
follows: 42-706. (a) The officers of such district shall be a board of
directors consisting of three members who shall be persons entitled to vote as provided in subsection (h) and residents of a county in which the district or a portion thereof is located, or county adjoining a county in which such irrigation district or a portion thereof is located. Such members shall hold office for a period of three years, and each shall serve until a successor has been elected and qualified. The members of the board of directors first elected after the creation of an irrigation district shall hold their respective offices until the next regular election for the election of directors as provided in subsection (e) or (f) of this section except that the terms of the three directors shall be as provided in subsection (e) of this section.

(b) The chief engineer of the division of water resources, after the incorporation of such irrigation district, shall establish and designate the polling place or places therein where the first election will be conducted and fix the time for such election within 60 days after the date of incorporation. In any irrigation district of more than 35,000 acres, the chief engineer of the division of water resources shall, prior to designating polling places, establish three voting areas within such district as equal as possible in acreage and shall designate the same as the first, second or third voting area. Such polling place or places may thereafter be changed by the board of directors, and the board may arrange for polling places outside the corporate boundaries of the district if such places are more convenient than locations within the district. Prior to the holding of the first election in newly created districts, the chief engineer of the division of water resources shall appoint from the qualified electors of the district three persons for such election for each voting place who shall constitute boards of election for such district for such election. If the members appointed do not attend at the opening of the polls on the day of election, at the opening hour, the electors present at that hour shall elect from the electors present members of the election board necessary to fill the place of any absent member.

(c) The board of directors of every district of more than 35,000 acres which was incorporated prior to the effective date of this act shall establish three voting areas within the district as equal as possible in acreage and designate the same as the first, second or third voting area. The board shall also establish and designate the polling place or places within each voting area. At the first election held after the effective date of this act, a director shall be elected from each voting area and the person receiving the highest number of votes shall serve for a term of three years, the person receiving the second highest number of votes shall serve for a term of two years, and the person receiving the third highest number of votes shall serve for a term of one year. At each subsequent election, only one director shall be elected each year for a term of three
years. Any director elected under this provision must be a person entitled
to vote as provided in subsection (h).

(d) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), all elections shall be
conducted in accordance with the general election laws of the state except
as otherwise provided in this act. Advance voting as provided in article 11
of chapter 25 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto,
shall be provided for by the county election officers and boards of
directors for those persons entitled to vote under subsection (h). The
forms for the ballot envelope declaration as provided in K.S.A. 25-1120,
and amendments thereto, and the applications for advance ballots as
provided in K.S.A. 25-1122d, and amendments thereto, shall be modified
to establish that such person is a qualified owner of irrigable land within
the district. After polls are closed the election boards shall proceed to
canvass the votes cast thereat, shall certify to the county election officer
of the county in which all or the greater part of the population of the
irrigation district is located and the chief engineer the result of such
election. The clerks shall then securely wrap the ballots cast at such
elections and shall express or mail the same by registered mail to the
county election officer of the county in which all or the greater part of the
population of the irrigation district is located. The county election officer
shall canvass the ballots, verify the results and declare the person
receiving the highest number of votes duly elected as director except that
at the first election after creation of a district the county election officer
of the county in which all or the greater part of the population of the
irrigation district is located shall declare the three persons receiving the
highest number of votes duly elected as directors except that in districts
divided into three voting areas, the person receiving the highest number
of votes in each voting area shall be duly elected as director. Such county
election officer shall immediately mail, to each person elected to the
office of director, a certificate of election signed by such officer. The
directors shall thereupon qualify and enter upon the duties of their office.
Directors shall qualify by taking and subscribing to an oath of office of
substantially the same tenor as oath of office prescribed for county
officials. Each member of the board of directors shall execute an official
bond in the sum of $1,000 which oath and bond shall be filed with the
county election officer of the county in which all or the greater part of the
population of the irrigation district is located. The treasurer of each
irrigation district shall execute to the district a corporate surety bond in an
amount at least equal to 125% of the amount, as near as can be
ascertained, that shall be in such person's hands as treasurer at any one
time. The amount and sufficiency of the bond of the treasurer shall be
determined by the county election officer. Upon approval of the bond, the
county election officer shall endorse such approval thereon and file the
same in the office of the county election officer and shall immediately
notify the county treasurer of the county in which the registered office of
the irrigation district is located of such approval and filing. In the event of
the breach of any condition of the treasurer's bond, the president and
secretary of the board shall cause a suit to be commenced thereon in the
name of the irrigation district. It shall not be necessary to include the
treasurer as a party to the action and the money collected shall be applied
to the use of the district, as the same should have been applied by the
treasurer. Should the president and secretary neglect or refuse to
prosecute such a suit, then any person entitled to vote as provided in
subsection (h) may cause such suit to be instituted. Premiums on surety
bonds for such directors and treasurers of irrigation districts shall be paid
by the district out of its general funds. In case the office of any director
shall become vacant the remaining members of the board shall fill the
vacancy by appointment. A director appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve
the unexpired term of the director whose term such person was appointed
to fill.

(2) For any election except the election required in subsection (b),
the board of directors may adopt a procedure providing for the election of
members by mail ballot. Such procedure shall require the board to mail
ballots to all persons entitled to vote, to receive and tabulate the ballots,
to canvass the election and to certify the results to the county election
officer. The irrigation district shall be responsible for the direct expenses
of conducting the election. The ballot envelope used for mailing ballots
shall contain a declaration establishing that the person who signs the
declaration is a qualified owner of irrigable land within the district.

(e) All regular elections of directors of irrigation districts shall be
held the first Tuesday in March in August if a primary is needed,
otherwise the elections shall be held on the Tuesday following the first
Monday in November of even-numbered years, except as provided by
subsection (g). Any districts organized after the regular March November
election shall hold its their election at the next regular March November
election following incorporation of the district and, at this election three
directors shall be elected and the person receiving the highest number of
votes shall serve for a term of three years, the person receiving the second
highest number of votes shall serve for a term of two years, and the
person receiving the third highest number of votes shall serve for a term
of one year. In case the first election after creation of a district is held
between June 1 of any year and the day preceding the first Tuesday
following the first Monday in November in March of the next succeeding
even-numbered year, the next regular March November election shall be
held in the second succeeding even-numbered year. At each subsequent
regular election, only one director shall be elected each year for a term of
threefour years. All persons desiring to be voted upon as directors shall at
least 30 days before the day of holding of the elections, file such person's
name with the county election officer of the county in which all or the
greater part of the population of the irrigation district is located, affixed to
a statement that such person desires such person's name to be placed on
the ticket as a candidate for member of board of directors of the district in
such election. The county election officer shall make up the ticket, at
expense of the irrigation district, and place the names thereon in
alphabetical order and shall supply election officials with necessary
ballots and polling books at the irrigation district's expense. At least five
days before any election held subsequent to first election of directors, the
boards of directors shall name and appoint three persons for each voting
place, who shall be qualified electors in the district. At least five days
before any election, the county clerks of the various counties within
which a portion of the district is located, shall cause to be ascertained the
names of all persons entitled to vote as provided in subsection (h) and
shall furnish lists thereof to each election board within such county and to
the secretary of the board of directors of the district. Notice of the time
and places of holding the election, signed by the president and attested
by the secretary of the district, shall be given in some newspaper or
newspapers of general circulation in the district for one issue at least five
days prior to date of the election. The return of all special or bond
elections shall be made to the secretary of the district, and canvassed by
the board of directors. All expenses of election, not otherwise provided
for herein, shall be paid for out of the general funds of the irrigation
district. Election officials shall receive the same compensation as
provided under general election laws.

(f) In lieu of the election procedures provided in this section
pertaining to regular elections of directors in accordance with the general
election laws of the state, the board of directors of any irrigation district
of less than 35,000 acres in size may call an annual meeting of all persons
entitled to vote as provided in subsection (h) for the purpose of electing
directors. Such annual meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday in
MarchAugust, except as provided by subsection (g). Notice of the time
and place of holding said annual meeting shall be given in some
newspaper or newspapers of general circulation in the district for one
issue at least 30 days prior to date of such meeting. Elections at the
annual meeting shall be by ballot, with absentee voting as provided under
subsection (d) of this section. All persons desiring to be voted upon as
director shall at least 30 days before the day of holding the annual
meeting file such person's name with the secretary of the board of
directors of the district, affixed to a statement that such person desires
such person's name to be placed on the ballot as a candidate for member
of board of directors of the district. The board of directors shall appoint
three owners of irrigable land in the district to serve as an election board
at the annual meeting. After the votes are cast at the annual meeting, the
election board shall proceed to canvass the votes and shall certify to the
county election officer of the county in which all or the greater part of the
population of the irrigation district is located and the chief engineer the
result of such election. All provisions of this section not inconsistent with
the provisions of subsection (f) shall apply to the election of directors at
the annual meeting.

(g) In any case where the time for any regular election of directors
as described in subsection (e), or the election as described in subsection
(f), is the same for any two districts having the same district manager,
such election shall be held on the first Wednesday following the first
Tuesday in March or August by the district organized latest in time.

(h) Until such time as assessments are made in the district pursuant
to K.S.A. 42-715, and amendments thereto, those persons entitled to vote
shall be "qualified owners of land" within the irrigation district, as such
term is defined in K.S.A. 42-701, and amendments thereto, and who are
otherwise qualified electors.

After lands have been assessed in the district pursuant to K.S.A. 42-
715, and amendments thereto, those persons entitled to vote shall be
"qualified owners of land" within the irrigation district as such term is
defined in K.S.A. 42-701, and amendments thereto, which has been
assessed pursuant to K.S.A. 42-715, and amendments thereto, and who
are otherwise qualified electors. For voting purposes, any person entitled
to vote under this subsection who owns land in more than one voting area
shall vote in the voting area which includes the greatest portion of such
person's land. As used in this section, the term "qualified electors" shall
include a person who is the legal qualified owner of irrigable land or a
person, who is authorized, in writing, to vote for a trust, corporation,
association or partnership which is the legal qualified owner of irrigable
land. Such person is not required to be a resident of the district. Such
trust, corporation, association or partnership shall be allowed only one
vote. The person authorized by such entity to vote shall be someone who
is not otherwise entitled to a vote under this section.

Sec. 27. K.S.A. 71-1413 is hereby amended to read as follows: 71-
1413. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), elections of trustees of
community colleges shall be conducted by the county election officer of
the county in which the main campus of the college is located. In any
college district having territory in more than one county, the county
election officers of all such counties shall cooperate with the county
election officer of the county in which the main campus is located, and
upon establishing any new community college or adding territory to any
of the community college districts, the state board, in accordance with this section, shall specify the county in which the main campus shall be located for the purpose of this section. General community college elections shall be held on the first Tuesday in April of each odd-numbered year. Any primary community college election shall be held on the Tuesday preceding by five weeks the first Tuesday in April of odd-numbered years.

(b) On and after July 1, 2012, general community college elections shall be held on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year. Any primary community college election shall be held on the first Tuesday in August of each even-numbered year.

Sec. 28. K.S.A. 71-1414 is hereby amended to read as follows: 71-1414. (a) (1) In college districts where a district method of election is in effect, a person may become a candidate for election to trustee of a community college by any one of the following methods:

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

(B) Any person who is an elector of any member district may become a candidate for member from the member district in which such person resides by filing with the election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of $5.

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

(D) If a community college adopts and implements a seven member board of trustees plan, any person who is an elector of the college district may become a candidate for the at-large member position by filing with the county election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of $5.

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

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

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

(2) Any person who is an elector of the college district may become a candidate for trustee by filing with the election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of $5.

(c) Every petition or declaration of intent filed as provided in K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto, under this section must be filed on or before 12 o'clock noon on the Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April of any odd numbered year. No such petition or declaration shall be filed sooner than the second Tuesday of the December which next precedes the community college election.


Sec. 30. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.