

As Amended by House Committee

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Session of 2015

SENATE BILL No. 17

By Committee on Judiciary

1-13

1 AN ACT concerning the judicial council; relating to membership;  
2 amending K.S.A. 20-2201 and repealing the existing section.

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

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 20-2201 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-  
6 2201. (a) A judicial council is hereby established and created which shall  
7 be an independent agency in the judicial branch of government, shall  
8 submit its budget separately and may adopt its own pay plan and personnel  
9 rules. The judicial council shall be composed of one justice of the supreme  
10 court, one judge of the court of appeals, two district judges of different  
11 judicial districts, four resident lawyers, the chairperson of the judiciary  
12 committee of the house of representatives ~~or the chairperson's designate,~~  
13 ~~and, the chairperson of the corrections and juvenile justice committee of~~  
14 ~~the house of representatives,~~ the chairperson of the judiciary committee of  
15 the senate and the chairperson of the corrections and juvenile justice  
16 committee of the senate. ~~All members except the members of the~~  
17 ~~legislature~~

18 **(b) The judge of the court of appeals member and the district**  
19 **judge members** shall be appointed by the chief justice of the supreme  
20 court for a term of four years and until a successor ~~shall have been~~ **is**  
21 appointed and qualified. **The resident lawyer members shall be**  
22 **appointed by the governor for a term of four years and until a**  
23 **successor is appointed and qualified.**

24 ~~(b)~~ (c) The terms of the members of the legislature, and all other  
25 members, shall terminate upon such member ceasing to belong to the class  
26 from which such member was appointed. ~~All vacancies except those of the~~  
27 ~~members of the legislature~~ **Vacancies of the judge members** shall be  
28 filled by appointment by the chief justice for the unexpired term.  
29 **Vacancies of the resident lawyer members shall be filled by**  
30 **appointment by the governor for the unexpired term.** Upon vacancy,  
31 the places of the members of the legislature shall be filled by their  
32 successors.

33 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 20-2201 is hereby repealed.

34 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

- 1 publication in the ~~statute book~~ *Kansas register*.