

## SENATE BILL No. 231

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning law enforcement; relating to Wichita state university;  
2 amending K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 76-726 and repealing the existing section.  
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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 New Section 1. (a) The city of Wichita and Wichita state university  
6 shall enter into an agreement, as provided in K.S.A. 76-726, and  
7 amendments thereto, to define the geographical scope of the jurisdiction  
8 conferred, circumstances requiring the extended jurisdiction, scope of law  
9 enforcement powers and duration of the agreement. Any agreement  
10 entered into pursuant to this section shall be approved by the governing  
11 body of the city of Wichita and the chief executive officer of Wichita state  
12 university.

13 (b) Such agreement shall be entered into within 90 days of the  
14 effective date of this act.

15 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 76-726 is hereby amended to read as  
16 follows: 76-726. (a) The chief executive officer of any state educational  
17 institution may employ university police officers to aid and supplement  
18 state and local law enforcement agencies. Such university police officers  
19 shall have the power and authority of law enforcement officers:

20 (1) On property owned or operated by the state educational  
21 institution, by a board of trustees of the state educational institution, an  
22 endowment association, an athletic association, a fraternity, sorority or  
23 other student group associated with the state educational institution *and*  
24 *upon the environs of such properties;*

25 (2) on the streets, property and highways ~~immediately~~ adjacent to the  
26 campus of the state educational institution;

27 (3) within the city where such property as described in this subsection  
28 is located, as necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of students  
29 and faculty of the state educational institution or municipal university, with  
30 appropriate agreement by local law enforcement agencies.

31 *Subject to section 1, and amendments thereto,* such agreements shall  
32 include provisions, defining the geographical scope of the jurisdiction  
33 conferred, circumstances requiring the extended jurisdiction, scope of law  
34 enforcement powers and duration of the agreement. Any agreement  
35 entered into pursuant to this provision shall be approved by the governing  
36 body of the city or county, or both, having jurisdiction where such

1 property is located, and the chief executive officer of the state educational  
2 institution or municipal university involved before such agreement may  
3 take effect; and

4 (4) additionally when there is reason to believe that a violation of a  
5 state law, a county resolution, or a city ordinance has occurred on property  
6 described in ~~provisions~~ *paragraphs* (1) or (2), such officers, with  
7 appropriate notification of, and coordination with, local law enforcement  
8 agencies, may investigate and arrest persons for such a violation anywhere  
9 within the city where such property, streets and highways are located.  
10 University police officers shall also have authority to transport persons in  
11 custody to an appropriate facility, wherever it may be located. University  
12 police officers at the university of Kansas medical center may provide  
13 emergency transportation of medical supplies and transplant organs.

14 (b) In addition to enforcement of state law, county resolutions and  
15 city ordinances, university police officers shall enforce rules and  
16 regulations of the board of regents and rules and policies of the state  
17 educational institution, whether or not violation thereof constitutes a  
18 criminal offense. Every university police officer shall, while on duty, wear  
19 and publicly display a badge of office, except that no such badge shall be  
20 required to be worn by any plain clothes investigator or departmental  
21 administrator, but any such person shall present proper credentials and  
22 identification when required in the performance of such officer's duties. In  
23 performance of any of the powers, duties and functions authorized by this  
24 act or any other law, university police officers shall have the same rights,  
25 protections and immunities afforded to other law enforcement officers.

26 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 76-726 is hereby repealed.

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