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## HOUSE BILL No. 3022

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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9 AN ACT concerning business entities; amending K.S.A. 17-6102, 17-10 6201, 17-6202, 17-6301, 17-6302, 17-6305, 17-6402, 17-6407, 17-6410, 11 17-6412, 17-6417, 17-6418, 17-6420, 17-6422, 17-6423, 17-6424, 17-12 6425, 17-6426, 17-6501, 17-6503, 17-6504, 17-6505, 17-6506, 17-6507, 13 17-6508, 17-6509, 17-6510, 17-6511, 17-6512, 17-6513, 17-6514, 17-14 6517, 17-6518, 17-6519, 17-6520, 17-6604, 17-6801, 17-6805a, 17-156808, 17-6810, 17-6811, 17-6902, 17-6903, 17-6904, 17-6905, 17-6906, 16 17-6907, 17-6908, 17-6909, 17-6910, 17-6911, 17-7003, 17-7103, 17-177104, 17-7202, 17-7303, 17-7304, 17-7501, 17-7507, 17-7510, 17-7512 18 and 17-7514 and K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6002, 17-6003, 17-6205, 17-19 6206, 17-6401, 17-6502, 17-6605, 17-6701, 17-6702, 17-6703, 17-6704, 2017-6705, 17-6706, 17-6707, 17-6712, 17-6804, 17-7301, 17-7302, 17-217306, 17-7503, 17-7504, 17-7505, 17-7506 and 17-7508 and repealing 22 the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 17-7513 and K.S.A. 2001 23 Supp. 17-7502.

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

26 Section 1. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6002 is hereby amended to read as 27 follows: 17-6002. (a) The articles of incorporation shall set forth:

28(1) The name of the corporation which, except for banks, shall con-29 tain one of the words "association," "church," "college," "company," "cor-30 poration," "club," "foundation," "fund," "incorporated," "institute," "society," "union," "syndicate" or "limited," or one of the abbreviations 31 32 "co.," "corp.," "inc.," "ltd.," or words or abbreviations of like import in 33 other languages if they are written in Roman characters or letters, and 34 which shall be such as to distinguish it upon the records in the office of 35 the secretary of state from the names of other corporations, limited lia-36 bility companies and limited partnerships organized, reserved or regis-37 tered under the laws of this state, unless there shall be obtained the 38 written consent of such other corporation, limited liability company or 39 limited partnership executed and filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, 40and amendments thereto. The name of every corporation heretofore or-41 ganized, except for banks, may be changed to conform to the provisions 42 of this section, but such change of name for existing corporations shall 43 not be required, and nothing herein shall be construed as requiring any corporation which is subject to special statutory regulation to include any
 of such names or abbreviations in the name of such corporation if such
 name or abbreviation would be inconsistent or in conflict with such spe cial statutory regulation;

5 (2) the address, which shall include the street, number, city and zip 6 code of the corporation's registered office in this state, and the name of 7 its resident agent at such address;

8 (3) the nature of the business or purposes to be conducted or pro-9 moted. It shall be sufficient to state, either alone or with other businesses 10 or purposes, that the purpose of the corporation is to engage in any lawful 11 act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the Kansas 12 general corporation code, and by such statement all lawful acts and ac-13 tivities shall be within the purposes of the corporation, except for express 14 limitations, if any;

15(4) if the corporation is to be authorized to issue only one class of stock, the total number of shares of stock which the corporation shall 16 17have authority to issue and the par value of each of such shares, or a 18 statement that all such shares are to be without par value. If the corpo-19 ration is to be authorized to issue more than one class of stock, the articles 20 of incorporation shall set forth the total number of shares of all classes of 21stock which the corporation shall have authority to issue and the number 22 of shares of each class, and shall specify each class the shares of which are to be without par value, and each class the shares of which are to have 23 24a par value and the par value of the shares of each such class. The articles 25of incorporation shall also set forth a statement of the designations and 26 the powers, preferences and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or 27 restrictions thereof, which are permitted by K.S.A. 17-6401, and amendments thereto, in respect to any class or classes of stock or any series of 2829 any class of stock of the corporation and the fixing of which by the articles 30 of incorporation is desired, and an express grant of such authority as it may then be desired to grant to the board of directors to fix by resolution 31 32 or resolutions any thereof that may be desired but which shall not be 33 fixed by the articles of incorporation. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to corporations which are not organized for profit and 34 35 which are not to have authority to issue capital stock. In the case of such 36 corporations, the fact that they are not to have authority to issue capital 37 stock shall be stated in the articles of incorporation. The conditions of membership of such corporations shall likewise be stated in the articles 38 of incorporation or the articles may provide that the conditions of mem-39 40bership shall be stated in the bylaws, and if a corporation not organized for profit is to have authority to issue capital stock, such fact shall be 4142 stated in the articles of incorporation;

43 (5) the name and mailing address of the incorporator or incorpora-

1 tors; and

2 if the powers of the incorporator or incorporators are to terminate (6)upon the filing of the articles of incorporation, the names and mailing addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting of stockholders or until their successors are elected and qualify.

6 (b) In addition to the matters required to be set forth in the articles 7 of incorporation by subsection (a), the articles of incorporation may also contain any or all of the following matters: 8

9 (1)Any provision for the management of the business and for the 10 conduct of the affairs of the corporation, and any provision creating, de-11 fining, limiting and regulating the sale or other disposition of stock and 12 the powers of the corporation, the directors and the stockholders, or any 13 class of the stockholders, or the members of a nonstock corporation, if 14 such provisions are not contrary to the laws of this state. Any provision 15which is required or permitted by any section of this act to be stated in 16 the bylaws may be stated instead in the articles of incorporation;

17(2) the following provisions, in these words: "Whenever a compro-18 mise or arrangement is proposed between this corporation and its cred-19 itors or any class of them or between this corporation and its stockholders 20or any class of them, any court of competent jurisdiction within the state 21of Kansas, on the application in a summary way of this corporation or of 22 any creditor or stockholder thereof or on the application of any receiver 23or receivers appointed for this corporation under the provisions of K.S.A. 2417-6808 and 17-6901, and amendments thereto, or on the application of 25trustees in dissolution or of any receiver or receivers appointed for this corporation under the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6808, and amendments 26 27thereto, may order a meeting of the creditors or class of creditors, or of 28the stockholders or class of stockholders of this corporation, as the case 29 may be, to be summoned in such manner as the court directs. If a majority 30 in number representing <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> in value of the creditors or class of creditors, 31 or of the stockholders or class of stockholders of this corporation, as the 32 case may be, agree to any compromise or arrangement and to any reor-33 ganization of this corporation as consequence of such compromise or 34 arrangement and the reorganization, if sanctioned by the court to which 35 the application has been made, shall be binding on all the creditors or 36 class of creditors, or on all the stockholders or class of stockholders, of 37 this corporation, as the case may be, and also on this corporation";

38 such provisions as may be desired granting to the holders of the (3)39 stock of the corporation, or the holders of any class or series of a class 40thereof, the preemptive right to subscribe to any or all additional issues of stock of the corporation of any or all classes or series thereof, or to any 4142 securities of the corporation convertible into such stock. No stockholder 43 shall have any preemptive right to subscribe to an additional issue of stock

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1 or to any security convertible into such stock unless, and except to the 2 extent that, such right is expressly granted to such stockholder in the 3 articles of incorporation. All such rights in existence on July 1, 1972, shall 4 remain in existence unaffected by this paragraph (3) unless and until 5 changed or terminated by appropriate action which expressly provides for 6 such change or termination;

7 (4) provisions requiring for any corporate action, the vote of a larger 8 portion of the stock or of any class or series thereof, or of any other 9 securities having voting power, or a larger number of the directors, than 10 is required by this act;

11 a provision limiting the duration of the corporation's existence to (5)12 a specified date; otherwise, the corporation shall have perpetual existence; a provision imposing personal liability for the debts of the cor-13 (6)14 poration on its stockholders or members to a specified extent and upon 15specified conditions; otherwise, the stockholders or members of a cor-16 poration shall not be personally liable for the payment of the corporation's 17debts except as they may be liable by reason of their own conduct or acts; the manner of adoption, alteration and repeal of bylaws; and

18(7)19 (8)a provision eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a di-20 rector to the corporation or its stockholders, policyholders or members for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, provided 2122 that such provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director 23(A) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or 24its stockholders, policyholders or members, (B) for acts or omissions not 25in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (C) under the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6424, and amend-26 27 ments thereto, or (D) for any transaction from which the director derived 28an improper personal benefit. No such provision shall eliminate or limit 29 the liability of a director for any act or omission occurring prior to the 30 date when such provision becomes effective. All references in this sub-31 section to a director shall be deemed also to refer to a member of the 32 governing body of a corporation which is not authorized to issue capital 33 stock.

(c) It shall not be necessary to set forth in the articles of incorporationany of the powers conferred on corporations by this act.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6003 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6003. (a) Whenever When any provision of this act requires any instrument to be filed with the secretary of state or in accordance with this section, such instrument shall be executed as follows:

(1) The articles of incorporation shall be signed by the incorporator
or incorporators, and any other instrument to be filed before the election
of the initial board of directors, if the initial directors were not named in
the articles of incorporation, shall be signed by the incorporator or in-

corporators; and. If any incorporator is not available by reason of death,
 incapacity, refusal or neglect to act, then the instrument may be signed
 by any person for whom or on whose behalf such incorporator was acting
 as employee or agent. The instrument shall state that the incorporator is
 not available and the reason therefor; that such incorporator was acting
 as employee or agent for or on behalf of such person; and that such per son's signature is authorized.

(2) All other instruments shall be signed: (i) By the chairperson or 8 vice-chairperson of the board of directors, or by the president or a vice-9 10 president, and attested by the secretary or an assistant secretary, or by such officers as may be duly authorized to exercise the duties, respec-11 tively, ordinarily exercised by the president or vice-president and by the 12 13 secretary or assistant secretary of a any authorized officer of the corpo-14 ration; (ii) if it appears from the instrument that there are no such officers, 15by a majority of the directors or by such directors as may be designated 16 by the board; (iii) if it appears from the instrument that there are no such 17officers or directors, by the holders of record, or such of them as may be designated by the holders of record, of a majority of all outstanding shares 1819 of stock; or (iv) by the holders of record of all outstanding shares of stock. 20The execution of any document required to be filed with the (b) 21 secretary of state pursuant to chapter 17 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated 22 shall constitute an oath or affirmation, under the penalties of perjury, that

23 the facts stated in the document are true.

(c) Whenever When any provision of this act requires any instrument
to be filed with the secretary of state or in accordance with this section,
such requirement means that:

(1) The original signed instrument, together with a duplicate copy
which may be either a signed or conformed copy, shall be delivered to
the office of the secretary of state. Any signature on documents authorized to be filed with the secretary of state under the provisions of this
chapter act may be a facsimile, a conformed signature or an electronically
transmitted signature;

(2) all taxes and fees authorized by law to be collected by the secretary
of state in connection with the filing of the instrument shall be tendered
to the secretary of state;

36 (3) upon delivery of the instrument, and upon tender of the required 37 taxes and fees, the secretary of state shall certify that the instrument has 38 been filed in the office of secretary of state by endorsing upon the original 39 signed instrument the word "Filed" and the date and hour of its filing. 40This endorsement is the "filing date" of the instrument and is conclusive 41 of the date and time of its filing in the absence of actual fraud. The 42 secretary of state shall thereupon file and index record the endorsed instrument in an electronic medium; and 43

(4) the secretary of state shall compare the duplicate copy with the 1 2 original signed instrument, and if the secretary of state finds that they are 3 identical, the secretary of state shall certify the duplicate copy by making upon it the same endorsement which is required to appear upon the 4 original, together with a further endorsement that the duplicate copy is 56 a true return the original instrument as a certified copy of the original 7 signed recorded instrument, except this provision shall not apply to an-8 nual reports.

(d) Any instrument filed in accordance with subsection (c) shall be 9 10 effective upon its filing date. Except where it has been determined oth-11 erwise by a court of competent jurisdiction, any instrument filed in accordance with subsections (c)(1) through (c)(4) prior to July 1, 1998, shall 1213 be deemed to be effective on the date it was so filed, unless a different 14 effective date was specified for the instrument in accordance with this 15subsection, and the recording of such instrument with a register of deeds 16 shall not be required in order for the instrument to take effect. Any 17instrument may provide that it is not to become effective until a specified date subsequent to its filing date, but such date shall not be later than 90 18 19 days after its filing date. If any instrument filed in accordance with sub-20 section (c) provides for a future effective date and the transaction is terminated or its terms are amended to change the future effective date prior 2122 to the future effective date, the instrument shall be terminated or amended 23by the filing, prior to the future effective date, of a certificate of termi-24nation or a certificate of amendment of the original instrument, executed 25and filed in accordance with this section. The certificate shall identify the instrument which has been terminated or amended, and shall state that 26 the instrument has been terminated or the manner in which it has been 2728amended.

(e) If another section of this act or any other law of this state specifically prescribes a manner of executing or filing a specified instrument or
a time when such instrument shall become effective, which differs from
the corresponding provisions of this section, then the provisions of such
other section shall govern.

34 (f) Whenever When any instrument authorized to be filed with the 35 secretary of state under any provision of this act has been so filed and is 36 an inaccurate record of the corporate action therein referred to, or was 37 defectively or erroneously executed, such instrument may be corrected 38 by filing with the secretary of state a certificate of correction of such 39 instrument which shall be executed and filed in accordance with this section. The certificate of correction shall specify the inaccuracy or defect 40to be corrected and shall set forth the portion of the instrument in cor-4142 rected form. The corrected instrument In lieu of filing a certificate of correction, the instrument may be corrected by filing with the secretary 43

of state a corrected instrument which shall be executed and filed in ac-1 cordance with this section. The corrected instrument shall be specifically 2 3 designated as such in its heading, shall specify the inaccuracy or defect to be corrected, and shall set forth the entire instrument in corrected form. 4 An instrument corrected in accordance with this section shall be effective 56 as of the date the original instrument was filed, except as to those persons who are substantially and adversely affected by the correction and as to 7 those persons, the corrected instrument shall be effective from the filing 8 9 date.

10 (g) Whenever When any corporation conveys any lands or interests 11 therein by deed or other appropriate instrument of conveyance, such deed or instrument shall be executed on behalf of the corporation by the 12 13 president, vice-president or presiding member or trustee any authorized 14 officer of the corporation. Such deed or instrument, when acknowledged 15by such officer to be the act of the corporation, or proved in the same 16 manner provided for other conveyances of lands, may be recorded in the 17same manner and with the same effect as other deeds. Corporations likewise shall have power to convey by an agent or attorney so authorized 1819 under letter power of attorney or other instrument containing a power to 20 convey real estate or any interest therein, which power of attorney shall 21be executed by the corporation in the same manner as herein provided 22 for the execution of deeds or other instruments of conveyance.

(h) If any instrument authorized to be filed with the secretary of state
is filed and is inaccurately, defectively or erroneously executed or otherwise defective in any respect, the secretary of state shall not be liable to
any person for the preclearance for filing, the acceptance for filing or the
filing and indexing such instrument.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 17-6102 is hereby amended to read as follows: 176102. Every domestic corporation subject to the provisions of this act
shall have power to:

(1) Have perpetual succession by its corporate name, unless a limited
 period of duration is stated in its articles of incorporation;

(2) Sue and be sued in all courts and participate, as a party or oth erwise, in any judicial, administrative, arbitrative or other proceeding, in
 its corporate name;

36 (3) Have a corporate seal, which may be altered at pleasure, and use
37 the same by causing it, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed or affixed
38 or in any other manner reproduced;

(4) Purchase, receive, take by grant, gift, devise, bequest or otherwise, lease, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, employ, use and
otherwise deal in and with real or personal property, or any interest
therein, wherever situated, and to sell, convey, lease, exchange, transfer
or otherwise dispose of, or mortgage or pledge, all or any of its property

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1 and assets, or any interest therein, wherever situated;

2 (5) Appoint such officers and agents as the business of the corpora-3 tion requires and to pay or otherwise provide for them suitable 4 compensation;

(6) Adopt, amend and repeal bylaws;

(7) Wind up and dissolve itself in the manner provided in this act;

(8) Conduct its business, carry on its operations and have offices and8 exercise its powers within or without this state;

9 (9) Make donations for the public welfare or for charitable, scientific 10 or educational purposes, and in time of war or other national emergency 11 in aid thereof;

(10) Be an incorporator, promoter or manager of other corporationsof any type or kind;

(11) Participate with others in any corporation, partnership, limited
partnership, joint venture or other association of any kind, or in any transaction, undertaking or arrangement which the participating corporation
would have power to conduct by itself, whether or not such participation
involves sharing or delegation of control with or to others;

(12) Transact any lawful business which the corporation's board ofdirectors shall find to be in aid of governmental authority;

21(13) Make contracts, including contracts of guaranty and suretyship, 22 incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as the corporation 23may determine, issue its notes, bonds and other obligations, and secure 24any of its obligations by mortgage, pledge or other encumbrance of all or 25any of its property, franchises and income, and make contracts of guaranty 26 and suretyship which are necessary or convenient to the conduct, pro-27 motion or attainment of the business of: (A) A corporation all of the 28outstanding stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the con-29 tracting corporation; (B) a corporation which owns, directly or indirectly, 30 all of the outstanding stock of the contracting corporation; or (C) a cor-31 poration all of the outstanding stock of which is owned, directly or indi-32 rectly, by a corporation which owns, directly or indirectly, all of the out-33 standing stock of the contracting corporation, which contracts of guaranty 34 and suretyship shall be deemed to be necessary or convenient to the 35 conduct, promotion or attainment of the business of the contracting cor-36 poration, and make other contracts of guaranty and suretyship which are 37 necessary or convenient to the conduct, promotion or attainment of the 38 business of the contracting corporation;

(14) Lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its
funds and take, hold and deal with real and personal property as security
for the payment of funds so loaned or invested;

(15) Pay pension and establish and carry out pension, profit sharing,
 stock option, stock purchase, stock bonus, retirement, benefit, incentive

and compensation plans, trusts and provisions for any or all of its directors,
 officers, and employees, and for any or all of the directors, officers, and
 employees of its subsidiaries;

4 (16) Provide insurance for its benefit on the life of any of its directors, 5 officers or employees, or on the life of any stockholder for the purpose 6 of acquiring at his *such stockholder's* death shares of its stock owned by 7 such stockholder<del>,</del>;

8 (17) Renounce, in its certificate of incorporation or by action of its 9 board of directors, any interest or expectancy of the corporation in, or in 10 being offered an opportunity to participate in, specified business oppor-11 tunities or specified classes or categories of business opportunities that 12 are presented to the corporation or one or more of its officers, directors 13 or stockholders.

14 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 17-6201 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-15 6201. (a) Every corporation shall have and maintain in this state a regis-16 tered office which may, but need not be, the same as its place of business.

17Unless the context otherwise requires, whenever the term "cor-(b) poration's principal office or place of business in this state" or "principal 1819 office or place of business of the corporation in this state," or other term 20 of like import, is or has been used in a corporation's articles of incorporation, or in any other document, or in any statute other than the Kansas 2122 uniform commercial code, it shall be deemed to mean and refer to the 23 corporation's registered office required by this section; and it shall not be 24necessary for any corporation to amend its articles of incorporation or any 25other document to comply with this section.

26 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 17-6202 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-27 6202. (a) Every corporation shall have and maintain in this state a resident 28agent, which agent may be either: (1) The corporation itself; (2) an indi-29 vidual resident in this state whose business office is identical with the 30 corporation's registered office or; (3) a domestic corporation, which may 31 be itself, having a business office identical with such registered office a 32 domestic limited partnership, a domestic limited liability company or a 33 domestic business trust; or (4) a foreign corporation, a foreign limited partnership or a foreign limited liability company authorized to transact 34 35 business in this state, in each case having a business office identical with 36 the office of such registered agent which is generally open during normal business hours to accept service of process and otherwise perform the 37 38 functions of a registered agent.

(b) Unless the context otherwise requires, whenever the term "resident agent" or "registered agent" or "resident agent in charge of a corporation's principal office or place of business in this state," or other term
of like import which refers to a corporation's agent required by statute
to be located in this state, is or has been used in a corporation's articles

of incorporation, or in any other document, or in any statute, it shall be
 deemed to mean and refer to the corporation's resident agent required
 by this section; and it shall not be necessary for any corporation to amend

4 its articles of incorporation or any other document to comply with this 5 section.

6 Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6205 is hereby amended to read as 7 follows: 17-6205. The resident agent of one or more corporations may resign and appoint a successor resident agent by filing in duplicate a 8 9 certificate with the secretary of state, stating the name and address of the 10 successor agent, in accordance with subsection (a)(2) of K.S.A. 17-6002 11 and amendments thereto. There shall be attached to such certificate a statement of each affected corporation ratifying and approving such 12 13 change of resident agent. Each such statement shall be executed in ac-14cordance with K.S.A. 17-6003 and amendments thereto. Upon such filing, 15the successor resident agent shall become the resident agent of such 16 corporations as have ratified and approved such substitution and the suc-17cessor resident agent's address, as stated in such certificate, shall become 18 the address of each such corporation's registered office in this state. The 19 secretary of state shall then issue the secretary's certificate that the sue-20 cessor resident agent has become the resident agent of the corporations 21so ratifying and approving such change, and setting out the names of such 22 corporations. The certificate of the secretary of state shall be filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003 and amendments thereto, and the reg-2324ister of deeds shall forthwith make a note of the change of registered 25office and resident agent on the margin of the record of the articles of 26 incorporation of those corporations which have ratified and approved 27 such change.

28Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6206 is hereby amended to read as 29 follows: 17-6206. (a) The resident agent of one or more corporations may 30 resign without appointing a successor by filing in duplicate a certificate 31 executed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto, 32 with the secretary of state; but such resignation shall not become effective 33 until 60 days after the certificate is filed. There shall be attached to such 34 certificate an affidavit of such resident agent, if an individual, or of the 35 president, a vice-president, or the secretary authorized officer thereof, if 36 a corporation or any other entity designated pursuant to K.S.A. 17-6202, 37 and amendments thereto that at least 30 days prior to the date of the filing 38 of such certificate, due notice was sent by certified or registered mail to 39 the corporation for which such resident agent was acting, by mailing to 40the secretary of such corporation, as such secretary's name and address 41 appears on the last annual report of such corporation filed with the sec-42 retary of state, or if no annual report has been filed, then as otherwise 43 shown by the files and records of the secretary of state.

(b) After receipt of the notice of the resignation of its resident agent, 1 2 provided for in subsection (a)-of this section, the corporation for which such resident agent was acting shall obtain and designate a new resident 3 agent to take the place of the resident agent so resigning in the same 4 manner as provided in K.S.A. 17-6203 and amendments thereto for 5change of resident agent. If such corporation, being a corporation of this 6 7 state, fails to obtain and designate a new resident agent as aforesaid prior to the expiration of the period of 60 days after the filing by the resident 8 9 agent of the certificate of resignation, the secretary of state shall declare 10 the corporate existence of such corporation forfeited. If such corporation, 11 being a foreign corporation, fails to obtain and designate a new resident agent as aforesaid prior to the expiration of the period of 60 days after 12 13 the filing by the resident agent of the certificate of resignation, the sec-14retary of state shall forfeit its authority to do business in this state.

(c) After the resignation of the resident agent shall have become effective, as provided in this section, and if no new resident agent shall have
been obtained and designated in the time and manner aforesaid, service
of legal process against the corporation for which the resigned resident
agent had been acting shall thereafter be upon the secretary of state in
the manner prescribed by K.S.A. 60-304 and amendments thereto.

21 Sec. 8. K.S.A. 17-6301 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-22 6301. (a) The business and affairs of every corporation shall be managed 23 by or under the direction of a board of directors, except as may be oth-24erwise provided in this act or in the articles of incorporation. If any such 25provision is made in the articles of incorporation, the powers and duties 26 conferred or imposed upon the board of directors by this act shall be 27 exercised or performed to such extent and by such person or persons as shall be provided in the articles of incorporation. 28

29 (b) The board of directors of a corporation shall consist of one or 30 more members. The number of directors shall be fixed by, or in the 31 manner provided in, the bylaws, unless the articles of incorporation es-32 tablish the number of directors, in which case a change in the number of 33 directors shall be made only by amendment of the articles. Directors need not be stockholders unless so required by the articles of incorporation or 34 35 the bylaws. The articles of incorporation or bylaws may prescribe other 36 qualifications for directors. Each director shall hold office until a succes-37 sor is elected and qualified or until such director's earlier resignation or removal. Any director may resign at any time upon written notice given 38 in writing or by electronic transmission to the corporation. A majority of 39 40the total number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction 41 of business unless the articles of incorporation or the bylaws require a 42 greater number. Unless the articles of incorporation provide otherwise, the bylaws may provide that a number less than a majority shall constitute 43

1 a quorum which in no case shall be less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of the total number of 2 directors except that, when a board of one director is authorized under 3 the provisions of this section, one director shall constitute a quorum. The 4 vote of the majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a 5 quorum is present shall be the act of the board of directors, unless the 6 articles of incorporation or the bylaws shall require a vote of a greater 7 number.

8 (c) (1) All corporations incorporated prior to July 1, 2002, shall be 9 governed by paragraph (2), except that any such corporation may by a 10 resolution adopted by a majority of the whole board elect to be governed 11 by paragraph (3), in which case paragraph (2) shall not apply to such 12 corporation. All corporations incorporated on or after July 1, 2002, shall 13 be governed by paragraph (3).

14(2) The board of directors may designate, by resolution passed by a 15 majority of the whole board, one or more committees, each committee to consist of one or more of the directors of the corporation. The board 16 may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any com-1718 mittee, who may replace any absent or disgualified member at any meet-19 ing of the committee. The bylaws may provide that, in the absence or 20 disqualification of a member of a committee, the member or members 21thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether 22 or not such member or members constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the board of directors to act at the meeting 2324in the place of any such absent or disqualified member. Any such com-25mittee, to the extent provided in the resolution of the board of directors, 26 or in the bylaws of the corporation, shall have and may exercise all the 27 powers and authority of the board of directors in the management of the 28business and affairs of the corporation and may authorize the seal of the 29 corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it; and a com-30 mittee, to the extent authorized in the resolution or resolutions providing 31 for the issuance of shares of stock adopted by the board of directors as 32 provided in K.S.A. 17-6401, and amendments thereto, may fix the des-33 ignations and any of the preferences or rights of such shares relating to 34 dividends, redemption, dissolution, any distribution of assets of the cor-35 poration or the conversion into, or the exchange of such shares for, shares 36 of any other class or classes or any other series of the same or any other 37 class or classes of stock of the corporation or fix the number of shares of any series of stock or authorize the increase or decrease of the shares of 38 any series; but no such committee shall have the power or authority in 39 40 reference to amending the articles of incorporation, adopting an agree-41 ment of merger or consolidation pursuant to K.S.A. 17-6701 or 17-6702, and amendments thereto, recommending to the stockholders the sale, 42 lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the corporation's property 43

1 and assets, recommending to the stockholders a dissolution of the corporation or a revocation of a dissolution, or amending the bylaws of the corporation; and, unless the resolution, bylaws or articles of incorporation expressly so provide, no such committee shall have the power or authority to declare a dividend or to authorize the issuance of stock or to adopt a certificate of ownership and merger pursuant to K.S.A. 17-6703, and amendments thereto.

(3) The board of directors may designate one or more committees, 8 9 each committee to consist of one or more of the directors of the corpo-10 ration. The board may designate one or more directors as alternate mem-11 bers of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. The bylaws may provide that in the 12 13 absence or disqualification of a member of a committee, the member or 14 members present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, 15whether or not such member or members constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the board of directors to act at the 16 17meeting in place of any such absent or disqualified member. Any such 18 committee, to the extent provided in the resolution of the board of direc-19 tors, or in the bylaws of the corporation, shall have and may exercise all 20 the powers and authority of the board of directors in the management of 21the business and affairs of the corporation, and may authorize the seal of 22 the corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it; but no such committee shall have the power or authority in reference to the 2324following matters: (A) approving or adopting, or recommending to the 25stockholders, any action or matter expressly required by this act to be 26 submitted to stockholders for approval; or (B) adopting, amending or 27 repealing any bylaw of the corporation.

(d) The directors of any corporation may be divided into one, two or 2829 three classes by the articles of incorporation or by an initial bylaw, or by 30 a bylaw adopted by a vote of the stockholders; the term of office of those 31 of the first class to expire at the annual meeting next ensuing; of the 32 second class one year thereafter; of the third class two years thereafter; 33 and at each annual election held after such classification and election, directors shall be chosen for a full term, as the case may be, to succeed 34 35 those whose terms expire. The articles of incorporation may confer upon 36 holders of any class or series of stock the right to elect one or more 37 directors who shall serve for such term, and have such voting powers, as stated in the articles of incorporation. The terms of office and voting 38 powers of the directors elected in the manner so provided in the articles 39 40of incorporation may be greater than or less than those of any other 41 director or class of directors. If the articles of incorporation provide that 42 directors elected by the holders of a class or series of stock shall have more or less than one vote per director on any matter, every reference 43

in this act to a majority or other proportion of directors shall refer to a
 majority or other proportion of the votes of such directors.

3 (e) A member of the board of directors or governing body of any corporation, or a member of any committee designated by the board of 4 directors or governing body, shall be fully protected in the performance 56 of such member's duties in relying in good faith upon the records of the 7 corporation and upon such information, opinions, reports or statements presented to the corporation by any of the corporation's officers or em-8 9 ployees, or committees of the board of directors, or by any other person 10 as to matters the member reasonably believes are within such other per-11 son's professional or expert competence and who has been selected with 12 reasonable care by or on behalf of the corporation.

13 (f) Unless otherwise restricted by the articles of incorporation or by-14laws, any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the 15board of directors, or governing body, or of any committee thereof may 16 be taken without a meeting if all members of the board or governing body 17or committee, as the case may be, consent thereto in writing or by elec-18 tronic transmission, and the writing or writings or electronic transmission 19 or transmissions are filed with the minutes of proceedings of the board, 20governing body or committee. Such filing shall be in paper form if the 21minutes are maintained in paper form and shall be in electronic form if 22 the minutes are maintained in electronic form.

(g) Unless otherwise restricted by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, the board of directors or governing body of any corporation organized under this act may hold its meetings, and have an office or offices,
outside of this state.

(h) Unless otherwise restricted by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, the board of directors shall have the authority to fix the compensation of directors.

30 (i) Unless otherwise restricted by the articles of incorporation or by-31 laws, members of the board of directors or the governing body of any 32 corporation, or any committee designated by such board or body, may 33 participate in a meeting of such board, body or committee by means of 34 conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of 35 which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and 36 participation in a meeting pursuant to this subsection shall constitute 37 presence in person at such meeting.

(j) The articles of incorporation of any corporation organized under this chapter act which is not authorized to issue capital stock may provide that less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of the members of the governing body may constitute a quorum thereof and may otherwise provide that the business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed in a manner different from that provided in this section. Except as provided by the articles of incorporation, the provisions of this section shall apply to such a corporation and,
 when so applied, all references to the board of directors, to members
 thereof and to stockholders shall be deemed to refer to the governing
 body of the corporation, the members thereof and the members of the
 corporation respectively.

6 (k) Any director number of directors or the entire board of directors 7 may be removed, with or without cause, by the holders of a majority of 8 the *outstanding* shares then entitled to vote at an election of directors, 9 except as follows:

(1) Unless the articles of incorporation otherwise provides, in the case
of a corporation whose board is classified as provided in subsection (d),
shareholders may effect such removal only for cause; or

(2) in the case of a corporation having cumulative voting for directors,
if less than the entire board is to be removed, no director may be removed
without cause if the votes cast shares voted against such director's removal
would be sufficient to elect such director if then cumulatively voted at an
election of the entire board of directors or, if there be classes of directors,
at an election of the class of directors of which such director is a part.

Whenever the holders of any class or series are entitled to elect one or more directors by the provisions of the articles of incorporation, the provisions of this subsection shall apply, in respect to the removal without cause of a director or directors so elected, to the vote of the holders of the outstanding shares of that class or series and not to the vote of the outstanding shares as a whole.

25Sec. 9. K.S.A. 17-6302 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-26 6302. (a) Every corporation organized under this act shall have such of-27 ficers with such titles and duties as shall be stated in the bylaws or in a resolution of the board of directors which is not inconsistent with the 2829 bylaws and as may be necessary to enable it to sign instruments and stock 30 certificates which comply with subsection (a)(2) of K.S.A. 17-6003 and K.S.A. 17-6408, and amendments thereto. One of the officers shall have 31 32 the duty to record the proceedings of the meetings of the stockholders 33 and directors in a book to be kept for that purpose. Any number of offices may be held by the same person unless the articles of incorporation or 34 35 bylaws otherwise provide.

36 (b) Officers shall be chosen in such manner and shall hold their of-37 fices for such terms as are prescribed by the bylaws or determined by the 38 board of directors or other governing body. Each officer shall hold the 39 office until such officer's successor is elected and qualified or until such 40 officer's earlier resignation or removal. Any officer may resign at any time 41 upon written notice given in writing or by electronic transmission to the 42 corporation.

43 (c) The corporation may secure the fidelity of any or all of its officers

1 or agents by bond or otherwise.

2 (d) A failure to select a corporation's officers in accordance with the 3 requirements of the bylaws or a resolution adopted by the board of di-4 rectors or other governing body shall not dissolve or otherwise affect a 5 corporation.

6 (e) Any vacancy occurring in any office of the corporation by death,
7 resignation, removal or otherwise shall be filled as the bylaws provide. In
8 the absence of such provision, the vacancy shall be filled by the board of
9 directors or other governing body.

10 Sec. 10. K.S.A. 17-6305 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-11 6305. (a) A corporation shall have power to indemnify any person who 12 was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, 13 pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, 14 administrative or investigative, other than an action by or in the right of 15the corporation, by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, 16 officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the 17request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, 1819 against expenses, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actu-20 ally and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such ac-21 tion, suit or proceeding, including attorney fees, if such person acted in 22 good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or 23 not opposed to the best interests of the corporation; and, with respect to 24any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe 25such person's conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea 26 27 of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presump-28tion that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which such 29 person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests 30 of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, 31 had reasonable cause to believe that such person's conduct was unlawful. 32 (b) A corporation shall have power to indemnify any person who was 33 or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, 34 pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation 35 to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that such person 36 is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, 37 38 employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, 39 trust or other enterprise against expenses actually and reasonably incurred 40by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit, including attorney fees, if such person acted in good faith 4142 and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and except that no indemnification 43

shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such
 person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless
 and only to the extent that the court in which such action or suit was
 brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication
 of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is
 fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the
 court shall deem proper.

8 (c) To the extent that a *present or former* director, officer, employee 9 or agent of a corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise 10 in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in subsections (a) 11 and (b), or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such director, 12 officer, employee or agent shall be indemnified against expenses actually 13 and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith, includ-14 ing attorney fees.

15(d) Any indemnification under subsections (a) and (b), unless ordered 16 by a court, shall be made by the corporation only as authorized in the 17specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the present or former director, officer, employee or agent is proper in the circumstances 1819 because such director, officer, employee or agent has met the applicable 20standard of conduct set forth in subsections (a) and (b). Such determi-21nation shall be made, with respect to a person who is a director or officer 22 at the time of such determination: (1) by the board of directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of the directors who were not parties 23 to such action, suit or proceeding, or (2) if such a quorum is not obtain-2425able, or even if obtainable, a quorum of disinterested directors so directs, 26 even though less than a quorum; (2) by a committee of such directors 27 designated by majority vote of such directors, even though less than a quorum; (3) if there are no such directors, or if such directors so direct, 2829 by independent legal counsel in a written opinion; or (3) (4) by the 30 stockholders.

31 (e) Expenses, *including attorney fees*, incurred by a director or officer 32 in defending a civil or, criminal, administrative or investigative action, 33 suit or proceeding may be paid by the corporation in advance of the final 34 disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an under-35 taking by or on behalf of the director or officer to repay such amount if 36 it is ultimately determined that the director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified by the corporation as authorized in this section. Such 37 38 expenses, including attorney fees, incurred by former directors and offi-39 cers or incurred by other employees and agents may be so paid upon such 40terms and conditions, if any, as the board of directors deems appropriate. 41 (f) The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, 42 or granted pursuant to, the other subsections of this section shall not be

43 deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnifi-

cation or advancement of expenses may be entitled under any bylaw,
 agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise,
 both as to action in a person's official capacity and as to action in another
 capacity while holding such office.

(g) A corporation shall have power to purchase and maintain insur-5ance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee 6 7 or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corpo-8 9 ration, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any 10 liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any 11 such capacity, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or 12 not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person 13 against such liability under the provisions of this section.

14(h) For purposes of this section, references to "the corporation" shall 15include, in addition to the resulting corporation, any constituent corporation (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed in a consoli-16 dation or merger which, if its separate existence had continued, would 1718 have had power and authority to indemnify its directors, officers and 19 employees or agents, so that any person who is or was a director, officer, 20 employee or agent of such constituent corporation, or is or was serving 21 at the request of such constituent corporation as a director, officer, em-22 ployee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust 23or other enterprise, shall stand in the same position under this section 24with respect to the resulting or surviving corporation as such person 25would have with respect to such constituent corporation if its separate 26 existence had continued.

27 (i) For purposes of this section, references to "other enterprises" shall include employee benefit plans; references to "fines" shall include any 2829 excise taxes assessed on a person with respect to any employee benefit 30 plan; and references to "serving at the request of the corporation" shall 31 include any service as a director, officer, employee or agent of the cor-32 poration which imposes duties on, or involves services by, such director, 33 officer, employee or agent with respect to an employee benefit plan, its participants or beneficiaries; and a person who acted in good faith and in 34 35 a manner such person reasonably believed to be in the interest of the 36 participants and beneficiaries of an employee benefit plan shall be 37 deemed to have acted in a manner "not opposed to the best interests of the corporation" as referred to in this section. 38

(j) The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, this section shall, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified, continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person.

1 Sec. 11. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6401 is hereby amended to read as 2 follows: 17-6401. (a) Every corporation, whether or not organized for 3 profit, may issue one or more classes of stock or one or more series of stock within any class thereof, any or all of which classes may be of stock 4 with par value or stock without par value and which classes or series may 56 have such voting powers, full or limited, or no voting powers, and such 7 designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, and qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, as 8 9 shall be stated and expressed in the articles of incorporation or of any 10 amendment thereto, or in the resolution or resolutions providing for the 11 issue of such stock adopted by the board of directors pursuant to authority 12 expressly vested in it by the provisions of its articles of incorporation. Any 13 of the voting powers, designations, preferences, rights and qualifications, 14 limitations or restrictions of any such class or series of stock may be made 15dependent upon facts ascertainable outside the articles of incorporation 16 or of any amendment thereto, or outside the resolution or resolutions 17providing for the issue of such stock adopted by the board of directors pursuant to authority expressly vested in it by the provisions of its articles 1819 of incorporation, provided that the manner in which such facts shall op-20 erate upon the voting powers, designations, preferences, rights and qual-21ifications, limitations or restrictions of such class or series of stock is 22 clearly and expressly set forth in the articles of incorporation or in the 23resolution or resolutions providing for the issue of such stock adopted by 24the board of directors. The term "facts," as used in this subsection, in-25cludes, but is not limited to, the occurrence of any event, including a 26 determination or action by any person or body, including the corporation. 27 The power to increase or decrease or otherwise adjust the capital stock 28as provided in this act shall apply to all or any such classes of stock.

(b) The stock of any class or series may be made subject to redemp-29 30 tion by the corporation at its option or at the option of the holders of 31 such stock or upon the happening of a specified event, except that at the 32 time of. Immediately following any such redemption the corporation shall 33 have outstanding one or more shares of at least one class one or more classes or series of stock with, which share, or shares together, shall have 34 35 full voting powers which shall not be subject to redemption. Notwith-36 standing the foregoing limitation:

(1) Any stock of a regulated investment company registered under
the investment company act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. §§ 80a-1 *et seq.*), and
amendments thereto, may be made subject to redemption by the corporation at its option or at the option of the holders of such stock; and

(2) any stock of a corporation which holds directly or indirectly a
license or franchise from a governmental agency to conduct its business
or is a member of a national securities exchange, which license, franchise

or membership is conditioned upon some or all of the holders of its stock
 possessing prescribed qualifications, may be made subject to redemption
 by the corporation to the extent necessary to prevent the loss of such
 license, franchise or membership or to reinstate it.

5 Any stock which may be made redeemable under this section may be 6 redeemed for cash, property or rights, including securities of the same or 7 another corporation, at such time or times, price or prices, or rate or 8 rates, and with such adjustments, as shall be stated in the articles of 9 incorporation or in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issue 10 of such stock adopted by the board of directors pursuant to subsection 11 (a).

12 The holders of preferred or special stock of any class or of any (c) 13 series thereof shall be entitled to receive dividends at such rates, on such 14conditions and at such times as shall be stated in the articles of incorpo-15ration or in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issue of such stock adopted by the board of directors as hereinabove provided, payable 16 in preference to, or in such relation to, the dividends payable on any other 1718 class or classes or of any other series of stock, and cumulative or noncu-19mulative as shall be so stated and expressed. When dividends upon the 20preferred and special stocks, if any, to the extent of the preference to 21 which such stocks are entitled, shall have been paid or declared and set 22 apart for payment, a dividend on the remaining class or classes or series of stock may then be paid out of the remaining assets of the corporation 23 24available for dividends as elsewhere in this act provided.

(d) The holders of the preferred or special stock of any class or of any series thereof shall be entitled to such rights upon the dissolution of, or upon any distribution of the assets of, the corporation as shall be stated in the articles of incorporation or in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issue of such stock adopted by the board of directors as hereinabove provided.

31 (e) At the option of either the holder or the corporation or upon the 32 happening of a specified event, any stock of any class or of any series 33 thereof may be made convertible into or exchangeable for shares of any other class or classes or any other series of the same or any other class or 34 35 classes of stock of the corporation, at such price or prices or at such rate 36 or rates of exchange and with such adjustments as shall be stated in the 37 articles of incorporation or in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issue of such stock adopted by the board of directors as hereinabove 38 provided. 39

(f) If any corporation shall be authorized to issue more than one class
of stock or more than one series of any class, the powers, designations,
preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights of
each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or

restrictions of such preferences or rights shall be set forth in full or sum-1 2 marized on the face or back of the certificate which the corporation shall 3 issue to represent certificated shares of such class or series of stock. Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 17-6426, and amendments thereto, 4 in lieu of the foregoing requirements, there may be set forth on the face 56 or back of the certificate which the corporation issues to represent such 7 class or series of stock, a statement that the corporation will furnish without charge to each stockholder who so requests the powers, designations, 8 9 preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights of 10 each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or 11 restrictions of such preferences or and/or rights. Within a reasonable time 12 after the issuance or transfer of uncertificated stock, the corporation shall 13 send to the registered owner thereof a written notice containing the in-14 formation required to be set forth or stated on certificates pursuant to 15this section or K.S.A. 17-6406, subsection (a) of K.S.A. 17-6426 or sub-16 section (a) of K.S.A. 17-6508, and amendments thereto, or with respect 17to this section a statement that the corporation will furnish without charge 18 to each stockholder who requests the powers, designations, preferences 19and relative participating, optional or other special rights of each class of 20stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of 21 such preferences or and/or rights, or both. Except as otherwise expressly 22 provided by law, the rights and obligations of the holders of uncertificated 23 stock and the rights and obligations of the holders of certificates repre-24senting stock of the same class and series shall be identical.

25(g) When any corporation desires to issue any shares of stock of any 26 class or of any series of any class of which the voting powers, designations, 27 preferences and relative, participating, optional or other rights, if any, or 28the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, shall not have 29 been set forth in the articles of incorporation or in any amendment 30 thereto, but shall be provided for in a resolution or resolutions adopted 31 by the board of directors pursuant to authority expressly vested in it by 32 the provisions of the articles of incorporation or any amendment thereto, 33 a certificate of designations setting forth a copy of such resolution or 34 resolutions and the number of shares of stock of such class or series shall 35 be executed and filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amend-36 ments thereto. Unless otherwise provided in any such resolution or res-37 olutions, the number of shares of stock of any such series to which such resolution or resolutions apply may be increased, but not above the total 38 number of authorized shares of the class, or decreased, but not below the 39 40number of shares thereof then outstanding, by a certificate likewise executed and filed setting forth a statement that a specified increase or 4142 decrease had been authorized and directed by a resolution or resolutions likewise adopted by the board of directors. In case the number of such 43

shares shall be decreased, the number of shares specified in the certificate 1 2 shall resume the status which they had prior to the adoption of the first 3 resolution or resolutions. When no share of any such class or series are outstanding, either because none were issued or because no issued shares 4 of any such class or series remain outstanding, a certificate setting forth 5a resolution or resolutions adopted by the board of directors that none of 6 7 the authorized shares of such class or series are outstanding and that none 8 will be issued may be executed and filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-9 6003, and amendments thereto. When such certificate becomes effective, 10 it shall have the effect of eliminating from the articles of incorporation 11 all reference to such class or series of stock. Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, if no shares of stock have been issued of 12 13 a class or series of stock established by a resolution of the board of di-14 rectors, the voting powers, designations, preferences and relative, partic-15ipating, optional or other rights, if any, or the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, may be amended by a resolution or resolutions 16 adopted by the board of directors. A certificate which: (1) States that no 1718 shares of the class or series have been issued; (2) sets forth a copy of the 19resolution or resolutions; and (3) if the designation of the class or series 20is being changed, indicates the original designation and the new desig-21nation; shall be executed and filed and shall become effective in accord-22 ance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto. When any certificate 23 filed under this subsection becomes effective, it shall have the effect of 24amending the articles of incorporation, except that neither the filing of 25such certificate nor the filing of restated articles of incorporation pursuant 26 to K.S.A. 17-6605, and amendments thereto, shall prohibit the board of 27 directors from subsequently adopting such resolutions as authorized by 28this subsection.

29 Sec. 12. K.S.A. 17-6402 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-30 6402. The consideration, as determined pursuant to subsections (a) and 31 (b) of K.S.A. 17-6403, and amendments thereto, for subscriptions to, or 32 the purchase of, the capital stock to be issued by a corporation shall be 33 paid in such form and in such manner as the board of directors shall determine. In the absence of actual fraud in the transaction, the judgment 34 35 of the directors as to the value of such consideration shall be conclusive. 36 The board of directors may authorize shares to be issued for consideration 37 consisting of any tangible or intangible property or benefit to the corporation including cash, promissory notes, services performed, contracts for 38 services to be performed or other securities of the corporation. Before the 39 40corporation issues shares, the board of directors must determine that the 41 consideration received or to be received for shares to be issued is adequate. 42 That determination by the board of directors is conclusive as to the adequacy of consideration for the issuance of shares. The capital stock so 43

issued shall be deemed to be fully paid and nonassessable stock if: (a) 1 The entire amount of such consideration has been received by the cor-2 3 poration in the form of cash, services rendered, personal property, real property, leases of real property, or a combination thereof or forms au-4 thorized by the board of directors; or (b) not less than the amount of the 56 consideration determined to be capital pursuant to K.S.A. 17-6404, and 7 amendments thereto, has been received by the corporation in such the form or forms authorized by the board of directors and the corporation 8 9 has received a binding obligation of the subscriber or purchaser to pay 10 the balance of the subscription or purchase price; provided, however, 11 nothing contained herein shall prevent the board of directors from issuing partly paid shares under K.S.A. 17-6406, and amendments thereto. 12

13 Sec. 13. K.S.A. 17-6407 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-14 6407. (a) Subject to any provisions in the articles of incorporation, every 15corporation may create and issue, whether or not in connection with the issue and sale of any shares of stock or other securities of the corporation, 16 rights or options entitling the holders thereof to purchase from the cor-1718 poration any shares of its capital stock of any class or classes, such rights 19 or options to be evidenced by or in such instrument or instruments as 20 shall be approved by the board of directors.

21(b) The terms upon which, including the time or times, which may be 22 limited or unlimited in duration, at or within which, and the price or 23 prices, including a formula by which such price or prices may be deter-24mined, at which any such shares may be purchased from the corporation 25upon the exercise of any such right or option, shall be such as shall be 26 stated in the articles of incorporation, or in a resolution adopted by the 27 board of directors providing for the creation and issue of such rights or options, and, in every case, shall be set forth or incorporated by reference 2829 in the instrument or instruments evidencing such rights or options. In the 30 absence of actual fraud in the transaction, the judgment of the directors as to the consideration for the issuance of such rights or options and the 31 32 sufficiency thereof shall be conclusive.

33 (c) The board of directors, by resolution adopted by the board, may authorize one or more officers of the corporation to do one or both of the 34 35 following: (1) designate officers and employees of the corporation or any 36 of its subsidiaries to be recipients of such rights or options created by the corporation; and (2) determine the number of such rights or options to 37 be received by such officers and employees. The resolution so authorizing 38 such officer or officers shall specify the total number of rights or options 39 40such officer or officers may award. The board of directors may not au-41 thorize an officer to designate the officer's self as a recipient of any such 42 rights or options.

43 (d) In the event that the shares of stock in the corporation to be issued

upon the exercise of such rights or options shall be shares having a par
value, the price or prices so to be received therefor shall not be less than
the par value thereof. In case the shares of stock so to be issued shall be
shares of stock without par value, the consideration therefor shall be determined in the manner provided in K.S.A. 17-6403, and amendments *thereto*.

Sec. 14. K.S.A. 17-6410 is hereby amended to read as follows: 176410. (a) Every corporation may purchase, *redeem*, receive, take or otherwise acquire, own and hold, sell, lend, exchange, transfer or otherwise
dispose of, pledge, use and otherwise deal in and with its own shares;
provided, however, that no corporation shall:

12 (1) Purchase or redeem its own shares of capital stock for cash or 13 other property when the capital of the corporation is impaired or when 14 such purchase or redemption would cause any impairment of the capital 15of the corporation, except that a corporation may purchase or redeem out of capital any of its own shares which are entitled upon any distribution 16 of its assets, whether by dividend or in liquidation, to a preference over 1718 another class or series of its stock, or, if no shares entitled to such a 19 preference are outstanding, any of its own shares, if such shares will be 20 retired upon their acquisition and the capital of the corporation reduced 21in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6603 and 17-6604, and amendments 22 thereto. Nothing in this subsection shall invalidate or otherwise affect a note, debenture or other obligation of a corporation given by it as con-23 24sideration for its acquisition by purchase, redemption or exchange of its 25shares of stock if at the time such note, debenture or obligation was 26 delivered by the corporation its capital was not then impaired or did not 27 thereby become impaired;

(2) purchase, for more than the price at which they may then be
redeemed, any of its shares which are redeemable at the option of the
corporation; or

(3) redeem any of its shares unless their redemption is authorized by
subsection (b) of K.S.A. 17-6401, and amendments thereto, and then only
in accordance with such section and the articles of incorporation.

(b) Nothing in this section limits or affects a corporation's right to
resell any of its shares theretofore purchased or redeemed out of surplus
and which have not been retired, for such consideration as shall be fixed
by the board of directors.

(c) Shares of its own capital stock belonging to the corporation or to another corporation, if a majority of the *shares entitled to vote in the election of directors of such* other corporation is held, directly or indirectly, by the corporation, shall neither be entitled to vote nor be counted for quorum purposes. Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the right of any corporation to vote stock, including but not limited 1 to its own stock, held by it in a fiduciary capacity.

2 (d) Shares which have been called for redemption shall not be 3 deemed to be outstanding shares for the purpose of voting or determining 4 the total number of shares entitled to vote on any matter on and after 5 the date on which written notice of redemption has been sent to the 6 holder holders thereof and a sum sufficient to redeem such share shares 7 has been irrevocably deposited or set aside to pay the redemption price 8 to the holders of the shares upon surrender of certificates therefor.

9 Sec. 15. K.S.A. 17-6412 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-10 6412. (a) When the whole of the consideration payable for shares of a 11 corporation has not been paid in, and the assets shall be insufficient to satisfy the claims of its creditors, each holder of or subscriber for such 12 13 shares shall be bound to pay on each share held or subscribed for by him 14 such holder or subscriber the sum necessary to complete the amount of 15the unpaid balance of the consideration for which such shares were issued 16 or *are* to be issued by the corporation.

(b) The amounts which shall be payable as provided in subsection (a)
of this section may be recovered as provided in K.S.A. 17-7101, and *amendments thereto*, after a writ of execution against the corporation has
been returned unsatisfied as provided in that such section.

(c) Any person becoming an assignee or transferee of shares or of a
subscription for shares in good faith and without knowledge or notice that
the full consideration therefor has not been paid shall not be personally
liable for any unpaid portion of such consideration, but the transferor
shall remain liable therefor.

(d) No person holding shares in any corporation as collateral security shall be personally liable as a stockholder, but the person pledging such shares shall be considered the holder thereof and shall be so liable. No executor, administrator, guardian, trustee or other fiduciary shall be personally liable as a stockholder, but the estate or funds held by such executor, administrator, guardian, trustee or other fiduciary in such fiduciary capacity shall be so liable.

(e) Commencing with the date of issuance of the stock or the date of
the subscription upon which the assessment is sought, the limitation of
time prescribed by K.S.A. 60-511, and amendments thereto, shall be applicable to any liability asserted under this section or under K.S.A. 177101, and amendments thereto.

(f) In any action by a receiver or trustee of an insolvent corporation
or by a judgment creditor to obtain an assessment under this section, any
stockholder or subscriber for stock of the insolvent corporation may appear and contest the claim or claims of such receiver or trustee.

42 Sec. 16. K.S.A. 17-6417 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-43 6417. A corporation may issue a new certificate of stock or uncertificated shares in the place of any certificate theretofore issued by it, alleged to
 have been lost, stolen or destroyed, and the corporation may require the
 owner of the allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, or his such
 owner's legal representative, to give the corporation a bond sufficient to
 indemnify it against any claim that may be made against it on account of
 the alleged loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance
 of such new certificate or uncertificated shares.

Sec. 17. K.S.A. 17-6418 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-8 9 6418. (a) If a corporation refuses to issue new uncertificated shares or a 10 new certificate of stock in place of one a certificate theretofore issued by 11 it, or by any corporation of which it is the lawful successor, which certificate is alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, the owner of the 12 13 lost, stolen or destroyed certificate or the owner's legal representative, 14 may commence an action in district court for an order requiring the cor-15poration to show cause why it should not issue new uncertificated shares or a new certificate of stock in place of the one certificate so lost, stolen 16 17or destroyed. The petition in such action shall state the name of the 18 corporation, the number and date of the certificate, if known or ascer-19 tainable by the plaintiff, the number of shares of stock represented 20 thereby and to whom issued, and a statement of the circumstances at-21tending such loss, theft or destruction. Thereupon the court shall make 22 an order requiring the corporation to show cause at a time and place 23 therein designated, why it should not issue new uncertificated shares or 24a new certificate of stock in place of the one described in the complaint. 25A copy of the complaint and order shall be served upon the corporation 26 at least five days before the time designated in the order.

27 (b) If, upon hearing, the court is satisfied that the plaintiff is the lawful owner of the number of shares of capital stock, or any part thereof, 2829 described in the petition, and that the certificate therefor has been lost, 30 stolen or destroyed, and no sufficient cause has been shown why new 31 uncertificated shares or a new certificate should not be issued in place 32 thereof, it shall enter an order requiring the corporation to issue and 33 deliver to the plaintiff new uncertificated shares or a new certificate for such shares. In its order the court shall direct that, prior to the issuance 34 35 and delivery to the plaintiff of such new uncertificated shares or a new 36 certificate, the plaintiff give the corporation a bond in such form and with 37 such security as to the court appears sufficient to indemnify the corporation against any claim that may be made against it on account of the 38 alleged loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance of 39 40such new uncertificated shares or new certificate. No corporation which has issued uncertificated shares or a certificate pursuant to an order of 41 42 the court entered hereunder shall be liable in an amount in excess of the amount specified in such bond. 43

Sec. 18. K.S.A. 17-6420 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-1 2 6420. (a) The directors of every corporation, subject to any restrictions 3 contained in its articles of incorporation, may declare and pay dividends upon the shares of its capital stock, or to its members if the corporation 4 is a nonstock corporation, either (1) out of its surplus, as defined in and 56 computed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6404 and 17-6604, and amend-7 ments thereto, or (2) in case there shall be no such surplus, out of its net profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared or and/or the 8 9 preceding fiscal year. If the capital of the corporation, computed in ac-10 cordance with K.S.A. 17-6404 and 17-6604, and amendments thereto, 11 shall have been diminished by depreciation in the value of its property, or by losses, or otherwise, to an amount less than the aggregate amount 12 13 of the capital represented by the issued and outstanding stock of all classes 14 having a preference upon the distribution of assets, the directors of such 15corporation shall not declare and pay out of such net profits any dividends upon any shares of any classes of its capital stock until the deficiency in 16 the amount of capital represented by the issued and outstanding stock of 1718 all classes having a preference upon the distribution of assets shall have 19 been repaired. Nothing in this subsection shall invalidate or otherwise 20 affect a note, debenture or other obligation of the corporation paid by it 21as a dividend on shares of its stock, or any payment made thereon, if at 22 the time such note, debenture or obligation was delivered by the corporation, the corporation had either surplus or net profits as provided in 2324clause (1) or (2) from which the dividend could lawfully have been paid. 25Subject to any restrictions contained in its articles of incorpora-(b) 26 tion, the directors of any corporation engaged in the exploitation of wast-27 ing assets, including but not limited to a corporation engaged in the ex-28ploitation of natural resources or other wasting assets, including patents, 29 or engaged primarily in the liquidation of specific assets, may determine 30 the net profits derived from the exploitation of such wasting assets or the 31 net proceeds derived from such liquidation without taking into consid-32 eration the depletion of such assets resulting from lapse of time, con-33 sumption, liquidation or exploitation of such assets.

Sec. 19. K.S.A. 17-6422 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-34 35 6422. A member of the board of directors, or a member of any committee 36 designated by the board of directors, shall be fully protected in relying in 37 good faith upon the records of the corporation and upon such informa-38 tion, opinions, reports or statements presented to the corporation by any 39 of its officers or employees, or committees of the board of directors, or 40by any other person as to matters the director reasonably believes are 41 within such other person's professional or expert competence and who 42 has been selected with reasonable care by or on behalf of the corporation, as to the value and amount of the assets, liabilities or and/or net profits 43

of the corporation or any other facts pertinent to the existence and
 amount of surplus or other funds from which dividends might properly
 be declared and paid, or with which the corporation's stock might prop erly be purchased or redeemed.

Sec. 20. K.S.A. 17-6423 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-56 6423. No corporation shall pay dividends except in accordance with the 7 provisions of this act. Dividends may be paid in cash, in property or in shares of the corporation's capital stock. If the dividend is to be paid in 8 9 shares of the corporation's theretofore unissued capital stock, the board 10 of directors shall, by resolution, direct that there be designated as capital 11 in respect of such shares an amount which is not less than the aggregate 12 par value of par value shares being declared as a dividend and, in the case 13 of shares without par value being declared as a dividend, such amount as 14 shall be determined by the board of directors. No such designation as 15capital shall be necessary if shares are being distributed by a corporation pursuant to a split-up or division of its stock rather than as payment of 16 a dividend declared payable in stock of the corporation. 17

Sec. 21. K.S.A. 17-6424 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-1819 6424. (a) In case of any willful or negligent violation of the provisions of 20 K.S.A. 17-6410, or 17-6423 or 17-6603, and amendments thereto, the 21directors under whose administration the same may happen shall be 22 jointly and severally liable, at any time within three (3) years after paying 23 such unlawful dividend or after such unlawful stock purchase or redemp-24tion, to the corporation, and to its creditors in the event of its dissolution 25or insolvency, to the full amount of the dividend unlawfully paid, or to 26 the full amount unlawfully paid for the purchase or redemption of the 27 corporation's stock, with interest from the time such liability accrued. Any 28director who may have been absent when the same was done, or who 29 may have dissented from the act or resolution by which the same was 30 done, may exonerate himself be exonerated from such liability by causing 31 his such director's dissent to be entered on the books containing the 32 minutes of the proceedings of the directors at the time the same was 33 done, or immediately after he such director has notice of the same.

(b) Any director against whom a claim is successfully asserted under
this section shall be entitled to contribution from the other directors who
voted for or concurred in the unlawful dividend, stock purchase or stock
redemption.

(c) Any director against whom a claim is successfully asserted under this section shall be entitled, to the extent of the amount paid by him *such director* as a result of such claim, to be subrogated to the rights of the corporation against stockholders who received the dividend on, or assets for the sale or redemption of, their stock with knowledge of facts indicating that such dividend, stock purchase or redemption was unlawful

1	under this act, in proportion to the amounts received by such stockholder
2	respectively.

3 Sec. 22. K.S.A. 17-6425 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-4 6425. Except as otherwise provided in this act, the transfer of stock and 5 the certificates representing certificated *and uncertificated* shares of stock 6 shall be governed by article 8 of the uniform commercial code, *and* 7 *amendments thereto*.

Sec. 23. K.S.A. 17-6426 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-8 9 6426. (a) A written restriction on the transfer or registration of transfer 10 of a security of a corporation, or on the amount of the corporation's se-11 curities that may be owned by any securities holder or a group of securities holders, if permitted by this section and noted conspicuously on the 12 13 certificate representing the security, or, in the case of uncertificated 14 shares, contained in the notice sent pursuant to subsection (f) of K.S.A. 1517-6401, and amendments thereto, may be enforced against the holder 16 of the restricted security or any successor or transferee of the holder, including an executor, administrator, trustee, guardian or other fiduciary 17entrusted with like responsibility for the person or estate of the holder. 1819 Unless noted conspicuously on the certificate representing the security, 20 or, in the case of uncertificated shares, contained in the notice sent pur-21 suant to subsection (f) of K.S.A. 17-6401, and amendments thereto, re-22 striction, even though permitted by this section, is ineffective except 23 against a person with actual knowledge of the restriction.

24(b) A restriction on the transfer or registration of transfer of securities 25of a corporation, or on the amount of the corporation's securities that may 26 be owned by any securities holder or a group of securities holders, may 27 be imposed either by the articles of incorporation or by the bylaws or by 28an agreement among any number of security holders or among such hold-29 ers and the corporation. No restriction so imposed shall be binding with 30 respect to securities issued prior to the adoption of the restriction unless 31 the holders of the securities are parties to an agreement or voted in favor 32 of the restriction.

(c) A restriction on the transfer or registration of transfer of securities
of a corporation or on the amount of such securities that may be owned
by any securities holder or group of securities holders is permitted by this
section if it:

(1) Obligates the holder of the restricted securities to offer to the
corporation or to any other holders of securities of the corporation or to
any other person or to any combination of the foregoing, a prior opportunity, to be exercised within a reasonable time, to acquire the restricted
securities; or

(2) Obligates the corporation or any holder of securities of the cor-poration or any other person or any combination of the foregoing, to

purchase the securities which are the subject of an agreement respecting
 the purchase and sale of the restricted securities; or

3 (3) Requires the corporation or the holders of any class *or series* of 4 securities of the corporation to consent to any proposed transfer of the 5 restricted securities or to approve the proposed transferee of the re-6 stricted securities<del>, or</del>, *or to approve the amount of securities of the cor-*7 *poration that may be owned by any securities holder or group of securities* 8 *holders; or* 

9 (4) Obligates the holder of the restricted securities to sell or transfer 10 an amount of restricted securities to the corporation or to any other hold-11 ers of securities of the corporation or to any other person or to any com-12 bination of the foregoing, or causes or results in the automatic sale or 13 transfer of an amount of restricted securities to the corporation or to any 14 other holders of securities of the corporation or to any other person or to 15 any combination of the foregoing; or

16 (4) (5) Prohibits or restricts the transfer of the restricted securities 17 to, or the ownership of restricted securities by, designated persons or 18 classes of persons or groups of persons, and such designation is not man-19 ifestly unreasonable.

20 (d) Any restriction on the transfer of the shares of a corporation for 21 the purpose of maintaining its status as an electing small business corporation under subchapter S of the United States internal revenue code 22 or of maintaining any other tax advantage to the corporation, is or the 23 24registration of transfer of the securities of a corporation, or on the amount 25of securities of a corporation that may be owned by a securities holder or group of securities holders, for any of the following purposes shall be 26 27 conclusively presumed to be for a reasonable purpose: (1) Maintaining 28any local, state, federal or foreign tax advantage to the corporation or its 29 stockholders, including without limitation: (A) Maintaining the corpora-30 tion's status as an electing small business corporation under subchapter 31 S of the United States internal revenue code [26 U.S.C.§1371 et seq.], or 32 (B) maintaining or preserving any tax attribute (including without limi-33 tation net operating losses), or (C) qualifying or maintaining the qualification of the corporation as a real estate investment trust pursuant to the 34 35 United States internal revenue code or regulations adopted pursuant to 36 the United States internal revenue code, or (2) maintaining any statutory or regulatory advantage or complying with any statutory or regulatory 37 requirements under applicable local, state, federal or foreign law. 38 39 (e) Any other lawful restriction on transfer or registration of transfer

40 of securities, or on the amount of securities that may be owned by any 41 person or group of persons, is permitted by this section.

42 Sec. 24. K.S.A. 17-6501 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-43 6501. (a) (1) Meetings of stockholders may be held at such place, either 13

within or without this state, as may be designated by or in the manner 1 provided in the articles of incorporation, bylaws or, if not so designated, 2 3 at the registered office of the corporation in this state. as determined by the board of directors. If the board of directors is authorized to determine 4 the place of a meeting of stockholders, the board of directors, in its sole 56 discretion, may determine that the meeting shall not be held at any place, 7 but may instead be held solely by means of remote communication as authorized by paragraph (a)(2). 8

9 (2) If authorized by the board of directors in its sole discretion, and
10 subject to such guidelines and procedures as the board of directors may
11 adopt, stockholders and proxy holders not physically present at a meeting
12 of stockholders may, by means of remote communication:

(A) Participate in a meeting of stockholders; and

14 (B)be deemed present in person and vote at a meeting of stockholders 15whether such meeting is to be held at a designated place or solely by 16 means of remote communication, provided that: (i) The corporation shall 17implement reasonable measures to verify that each person deemed present and permitted to vote at the meeting by means of remote communication 1819 is a stockholder or proxy holder; (ii) the corporation shall implement rea-20sonable measures to provide such stockholders and proxy holders a rea-21sonable opportunity to participate in the meeting and to vote on matters 22 submitted to the stockholders, including an opportunity to read or hear 23the proceedings of the meeting substantially concurrently with such pro-24ceedings; and (iii) if any stockholder or proxy holder votes or takes other 25action at the meeting by means of remote communication, a record of 26 such vote or other action shall be maintained by the corporation.

27 Unless directors are elected by written consent in lieu of an annual (b) 28meeting as permitted by this subsection, an annual meeting of stockhold-29 ers shall be held for the election of directors on a date and at a time 30 designated by or in the manner provided in the bylaws. Stockholders, 31 unless the articles of incorporation otherwise provide, may act by written 32 consent to elect directors; provided, however, that, if such consent is less 33 than unanimous, such action by written consent may be in lieu of holding an annual meeting only if all of the directorships to which directors could 34 35 be elected at an annual meeting held at the effective time of such action 36 are vacant and are filled by such action. Any other proper business may 37 be transacted at the annual meeting.

(c) (1) If the articles of incorporation or bylaws of a corporation registered under the investment company act of 1940 so provide, the corporation is only required to hold an annual meeting in any year in which
the election of directors is required to be acted upon under the investment company act of 1940.

43 (2) If a corporation is required under paragraph (1) to hold a meeting

of stockholders to elect directors, the meeting shall be designated as the
 annual meeting of stockholders for that year.

3 (d) (1) A failure to hold any annual meeting required by this act at the designated time or to elect a sufficient number of directors to conduct 4 the business of the corporation shall not affect otherwise valid corporate 56 acts or work a forfeiture or dissolution of the corporation, except as may 7 be otherwise specifically provided in this act. If the annual meeting for election of directors is not held on the date designated therefor or action 8 9 by written consent to elect directors, in lieu of an annual meeting, has not 10 been taken, the directors shall cause the meeting to be held as soon there-11 after as *is* convenient. If there be a failure to hold the annual meeting *or* 12 to take action by written consent to elect directors in lieu of an annual 13 *meeting* for a period of 30 days after the date designated therefor for the 14 annual meeting, or if no date has been designated for an annual meeting 15required by this act, for a period of 13 months after the latest to occur of the organization of the corporation or after, its last annual meeting or the 16 last action by written consent to elect directors in lieu of an annual meet-17ing, the district court may summarily order a meeting to be held upon 1819 the application of any stockholder or director. The shares of stock rep-20 resented at such meeting, either in person or by proxy, and entitled to vote thereat, shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of such meeting, 2122 notwithstanding any provision of the articles of incorporation or bylaws 23to the contrary. The district court may issue such orders as may be ap-24propriate, including, without limitation, orders designating the time and 25place of such meeting, the record date for determination of stockholders 26 entitled to vote and the form of notice of such meeting.

(2) If a corporation is required under paragraph (1) of subsection (c)
to hold a meeting of stockholders to elect directors, the meeting shall be
held no later than 120 days after the occurrence of the event requiring
the meeting.

(e) Special meetings of the stockholders may be called by the board
of directors or by such person or persons as may be authorized by the
articles of incorporation or by the bylaws.

(f) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, All elections of directors shall be by written ballot, unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation. If authorized by the board of directors, such requirement of a written ballot shall be satisfied by a ballot submitted by electronic transmission, provided that any such electronic transmission must either set forth or be submitted with information from which it can be determined that the electronic transmission was authorized by the

41 stockholder or proxy holder.

42 Sec. 25. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6502 is hereby amended to read as 43 follows: 17-6502. (a) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incor1 poration and subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6503, and amend-2 ments thereto, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each 3 share of capital stock held by such stockholder. If the articles of incor-4 poration provide for more or less than one vote for any share on any 5 matter, every reference in this act to a majority or other proportion of 6 stock shall refer to such majority or other proportion of the votes of such 7 stock.

8 (b) (1) Each stockholder entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders 9 or to express consent or dissent to corporate action in writing without a 10 meeting may authorize another person or persons to act for the stock-11 holder by proxy as provided in this subsection, but no such proxy shall be 12 voted or acted upon after three years from its date, unless the proxy 13 provides for a longer period.

## 14 (2) (i) A stockholder may sign a writing authorizing another person 15 to act as proxy.

- (ii) Signing (c) Without limiting the manner in which a stockholder 16 may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder as 17proxy pursuant to subsection (b), the following shall constitute a valid 18means by which a stockholder may grant such authority: (1) A stockholder 19 20 may execute a writing authorizing another person or persons to act for 21 such stockholder as proxy. Execution may be accomplished by the stock-22 holder or the stockholder's authorized officer, director, employee or agent signing the writing or causing the stockholder's signature to be affixed to 2324the writing by any reasonable means, including, but not limited to, fac-25simile signature.

26 (3) (2) A stockholder may authorize another person or persons to act 27 as proxy by transmitting, or authorizing the transmission of, a telegram, cablegram, or other means of electronic transmission, including tele-2829 phonic transmission, to the person authorized to act as who will be the 30 holder of the proxy or to a proxy solicitation firm, proxy support service 31 organization, or other person like agent duly authorized by the person 32 who will act as proxy to receive the transmission, provided that any such 33 telegram, cablegram or other means of electronic transmission must either contain or be accompanied by set forth or be submitted with information 34 from which it can be determined that the stockholder authorized the 35 36 transmission.

37 (4) (d) A copy, facsimile telecommunication, or other reliable repro-38 duction of the writing or transmission authorized under paragraphs (2)

39 and (3) of this subsection (c)(1) and (c)(2) may be substituted for the 40 original writing or transmission for any purpose for which the original

40 original writing of transmission for any purpose for which the original 41 writing or transmission could be used, *provided that such copy, facsimile* 

42 telecommunication or other reproduction shall be a complete reproduc-

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43 tion of the entire original writing or transmission.

(e) (e) A duly executed proxy shall be irrevocable if it states that it is 1 2 irrevocable and if, and only as long as, it is coupled with an interest suf-3 ficient in law to support an irrevocable power. A proxy may be made irrevocable regardless of whether the interest with which it is coupled is 4 an interest in the stock itself or an interest in the corporation generally. 5Sec. 26. K.S.A. 17-6503 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6 7 6503. (a) In order that the corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any 8 9 adjournment thereof, the board of directors may fix a record date, which 10 record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing 11 the record date is adopted by the board of directors, and which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days before the date of 12 13 such meeting. If no record is fixed by the board of directors, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a 1415meeting of stockholders shall be at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which notice is given, or, if notice is waived, at the 16 17close of business on the day next preceding the day on which the meeting 18 is held. A determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or 19 to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the 20 meeting except that the board of directors may fix a new record date for 21the adjourned meeting.

(b) In order that the corporation may determine the stockholders 22 23 entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, the 24board of directors may fix a record date which record date shall not pre-25cede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted 26 by the board of directors, and which date shall not be more than 10 days 27 after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the board of directors. If no record date has been fixed by the board 2829 of directors, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to con-30 sent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, when no prior action by the board of directors is required by this act, shall be the first 31 32 date on which a signed written consent setting forth the action taken or 33 proposed to be taken is delivered to the corporation by delivery to its registered office in this state, its principal place of business, or an officer 34 35 or agent of the corporation having custody of the book in which proceed-36 ings of meetings of stockholders are recorded. Delivery made to a cor-37 poration's registered office shall be by hand or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. If no record date has been fixed by the 38 39 board of directors and prior action by the board of directors is required 40by this act, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to con-41 sent to corporate action in writing without a meeting shall be at the close 42 of business on the day on which the board of directors adopts the resolution taking such prior action. 43

(c) In order that the corporation may determine the stockholders en-1 2 titled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights or the stockholders entitled to exercise any rights in 3 respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock, or for the purpose 4 of any other lawful action, the board of directors may fix a record date, 5which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution 6 7 fixing the record date is adopted, and which record date shall be not more than 60 days prior to such action. If no record date is fixed, the record 8 9 date for determining stockholders for any such purpose shall be at the 10 close of business on the day on which the board of directors adopts the 11 resolution relating thereto.

Sec. 27. K.S.A. 17-6504 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-12 13 6504. The articles of incorporation of any corporation may provide that 14at all elections of directors of the corporation, or at elections held under 15specified circumstances, each holder of stock or of any class or classes or of a series or series thereof shall be entitled to as many votes as shall 16 equal the number of votes which, except for such provision as to cumu-1718 lative voting, such holder would be entitled to cast for the election of 19 directors with respect to such holder's shares of stock multiplied by the 20 number of directors to be elected by each such holder, and that such 21 holder may cast all of such votes for a single director or may distribute 22 them among the number to be voted for, or for any two or more of them as such holder may see fit, provided that this act section shall not apply 23to a corporation organized prior to the effective date of this act before 2425April 21, 1988, unless the stockholders of such corporation shall amend 26 its articles of incorporation to eliminate the requirements of cumulative 27 voting in force at the time of its organization.

Sec. 28. K.S.A. 17-6505 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-2829 6505. (a) The provisions of K.S.A. 17-6501 to 17-6504 and K.S.A. 17-30 6506, and amendments thereto, shall not apply to corporations not au-31 thorized to issue stock, except that subsection (a) of K.S.A. 17-6501 and 32 subsection (c) and (d) of K.S.A. 17-6502, and amendments thereto, shall 33 apply to such corporations, and, when so applied, all references therein to stockholders and to the board of directors shall be deemed to refer to 34 35 the members and the governing body of a nonstock corporation, 36 respectively.

(b) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation of a
nonstock corporation, each member shall be entitled at every meeting of
members to one vote in person or by proxy, but no proxy shall be voted
after three (3) years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer
period.

42 (c) Unless otherwise provided in this act, the articles of incorporation43 or bylaws of a nonstock corporation may specify the number of members

having voting power who shall be present or represented by proxy at any 1 meeting in order to constitute a quorum for, and the votes, or portion 2 3 thereof, that shall be necessary for, the transaction of any business. In the absence of such specification in the articles of incorporation or bylaws of 4 a nonstock corporation, 4/3 of the members of such corporation shall con-5stitute a quorum at a meeting of such members, and the members present 6 7 in person or represented by proxy after proper notice has been given shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of such members. In all matters other 8 9 than the election of the governing body of the corporation, the affirmative 10 vote of a majority of such members present in person or represented by 11 proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be 12 the act of the members, unless the vote of a greater number is required 13 by this <del>chapter</del> *act*, the articles of incorporation or bylaws.

(d) Members of the governing body shall be elected by a plurality of
the votes of the members of the corporation present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote thereon.

17(e)If the election of the governing body of any nonstock corporation 18 shall not be held on the day within the time period designated by the 19 bylaws, the governing body shall cause the election to be held as soon 20 thereafter as convenient. The failure to hold such an election at the des-21ignated time within the time period shall not work any forfeiture or dis-22 solution of the corporation, but the district court may summarily order 23such an election to be held upon the application of any member of the 24corporation. At any election pursuant to such order, the persons entitled 25to vote in such election who shall be present at such meeting, either in 26 person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for such meeting, notwith-27 standing any provision of the articles of incorporation or the bylaws of 28the corporation to the contrary.

(f) If authorized by the governing body, any requirement of a written
ballot shall be satisfied by a ballot submitted by electronic transmission,
provided that such electronic transmission must either set forth or be
submitted with information from which it can be determined that the
electronic transmission was authorized by the member or proxy holder.

34 Sec. 29. K.S.A. 17-6506 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-35 6506. Subject to the provisions of this act with respect to the vote that 36 shall be required for a specified action, the articles of incorporation or 37 bylaws of any corporation authorized to issue stock may specify the num-38 ber of shares or and/or the amount of other securities conferring having 39 voting power, the holders of which shall be present or represented by 40proxy at any meeting in order to constitute a quorum for, and the votes that shall be necessary for, the transaction of any business, but in no event 41

42 shall a quorum at the meeting consist of the holders of less than 1/3 of the

43 shares conferring voting powers consist of holders of less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of the

shares entitled to vote at the meeting, except that, where a separate vote
 by the holders of a class or series or classes or series is required, a quorum
 shall consist of no less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of the holders of the shares of such class
 or series or classes or series. In the absence of such specification in the
 articles of incorporation or bylaws of the corporation:

6 (a) The holders of a majority of the shares <del>conferring voting powers</del> 7 *entitled to vote*, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute 8 a quorum at a meeting of stockholders;

9 (b) in all matters other than the election of directors, the affirmative 10 vote of the holders of a majority of shares who are present in person or 11 represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on the subject 12 matter shall be the act of the stockholders;

(c) directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes of the stock holders shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting
 and entitled to vote on the election of directors; and

(d) where a separate vote by a class or classes of stockholders or series 16 17is required, the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of such class or classes or series, present in person or represented by proxy, shall 18 19 constitute a quorum entitled to take action with respect to that vote on 20 that matter and the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of shares 21of such class or classes or series who are present in person or represented 22 by proxy at the meeting shall be the act of such class or classes or series. 23Sec. 30. K.S.A. 17-6507 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-246507. (a) Persons holding stock in a fiduciary capacity shall be entitled to 25vote the shares so held. Persons whose stock is pledged shall be entitled to vote, unless in the transfer by the pledgor on the books of the corpo-26 27 ration he such person has expressly empowered the pledgee to vote 28thereon, in which case only the pledgee, or his such pledgee's proxy, may 29 represent such stock and vote thereon.

30 (b) If shares or other securities having voting power stand of record 31 in the names of two (2) or more persons, whether fiduciaries, members 32 of a partnership, joint tenants, tenants in common, tenants by the entirety 33 or otherwise, or if two (2) or more persons have the same fiduciary relationship respecting the same shares, unless the secretary of the corpo-34 35 ration is given written notice to the contrary and is furnished with a copy 36 of the instrument or order appointing them or creating the relationship wherein it is so provided, their acts with respect to voting shall have the 37 38 following effect:

39 (1) If only one votes, his such person's act binds all;

40 (2) If more than one vote, the act of the majority so voting binds all;

41 (3) If more than one vote, but the vote is evenly split on any particular
42 matter, each *fraction faction* may vote the securities in question propor43 tionally, or any person voting the shares, or a beneficiary, if any, may

apply to the district court for the appointment of an additional person to
 act with the persons so voting the shares, which shall then be voted as
 determined by a majority of such persons and the person appointed by
 the court. If the instrument so filed shows that any such tenancy is held
 in unequal interests, a majority or even-split for the purpose of this sub section shall be a majority or even-split in interest.

7 Sec. 31. K.S.A. 17-6508 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-8 6508. (a) One or more stockholders, by agreement in writing, may deposit 9 capital stock of an original issue with or transfer capital stock to any 10 person or persons, or corporation or corporations entity or entities au-11 thorized to act as trustee, for the purpose of vesting in such person or 12 persons, corporation or corporations entity or entities, who may be des-13 ignated voting trustee, or voting trustees, the right to vote thereon for 14any period of time determined by such agreement, not exceeding 10 15years, upon the terms and conditions stated in such agreement. The validity of a voting trust agreement, otherwise lawful, shall not be affected 16 during a period of 10 years from the date when it was created or last 1718 extended, as provided in subsection (b), by the fact that under its terms it will or may last beyond such 10-year period. The agreement may con-19 20 tain any other lawful provisions not inconsistent with such purpose. After 21 the filing of a copy of the agreement in the registered office of the cor-22 poration in this state, which copy shall be open to the inspection of any 23stockholder of the corporation, or any beneficiary of the trust under the 24agreement, daily during business hours, certificates of stock or uncerti-25ficated stock shall be issued to the voting trustee or trustees to represent 26 any stock of an original issue so deposited with such voting trustee or 27 such trustees, and any certificates of stock or uncertificated stock so trans-28ferred to the voting trustee or trustees shall be surrendered and canceled 29 and new certificates or uncertificated stock therefor shall be issued to the 30 voting trustee or trustees. In the certificates so issued, if any, it shall be 31 stated that they are issued pursuant to such agreement, or in the case of 32 uncertificated shares, contained in the notice sent pursuant to subsection 33 (f) of K.S.A. 17-6401, and amendments thereto, and that fact shall also be 34 stated in the stock ledger of the corporation. The voting trustee or trustees 35 may vote the stock so issued or transferred during the period specified 36 in the agreement. Stock standing in the name of the voting trustee or 37 trustees may be voted either in person or by proxy, and in voting the 38 stock, the voting trustee or trustees shall incur no responsibility as stock-39 holder, trustee or otherwise, except for such voting trustee's or trustees' 40individual malfeasance. In any case where two or more persons or entities 41 are designated as voting trustees, and the right and method of voting any 42 stock standing in their names at any meeting of the corporation are not 43 fixed by the agreement appointing the trustees, the right to vote the stock

and the manner of voting it at the meeting shall be determined by a 1 2 majority of the trustees, or if they be equally divided as to the right and manner of voting the stock in any particular case, the vote of the stock in such case shall be divided equally among the trustees.

(b) At any time within two years prior to the time of expiration of any 56 Any amendment to a voting trust agreement, as originally fixed or as last 7 extended as provided in this subsection, one or more beneficiaries of the trust under the voting trust agreement, by written agreement and with 8 9 the written consent of the voting trustee or trustees, may extend the 10 duration of the voting trust agreement for an additional period not ex-11 eccding 10 years from the expiration date of the trust as originally fixed or as last extended, as provided in this subsection. Prior to the time of 12 13 expiration of any such voting trust agreement, as originally fixed or as 14previously extended, as the case may be, the voting trustee or trustees 15shall file shall be made by a written agreement, a copy of which shall be 16 *filed* in the registered office of the corporation in this state a copy of such 17extension agreement and of such voting trustee's or trustees' consent thereto, and thereupon the duration of the voting trust agreement shall 1819 be extended for the period fixed in the extension agreement. No such 20 extension agreement shall affect the rights or obligations of persons not 21parties thereto.

22 (c) An agreement between two or more stockholders, if in writing and 23signed by the parties thereto, any provide that in exercising any voting 24rights, the shares held by them shall be voted as provided by the agree-25ment, or as the parties may agree, or as determined in accordance with 26 a procedure agreed upon by them.

27 (d) This section shall not be deemed to invalidate or otherwise affect 28any voting or other agreement among stockholders or any irrevocable 29 proxy which is not otherwise illegal.

30 Sec. 32. K.S.A. 17-6509 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-31 6509. (a) The officer who has charge of the stock ledger of a corporation 32 shall prepare and make, at least 10 days before every meeting of stock-33 holders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, 34 arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each stock-35 holder and the number of shares registered in the name of each stock-36 holder. Nothing contained in this section shall require the corporation to 37 include electronic mail addresses or other electronic contact information 38 on such list. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, 39 for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, 40for a period of at least 10 days prior to the meeting<del>, either at a place</del> 41 within the eity where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be 42 specified in the notice of the meeting, or, if not so specified, at the place

where : (1) On a reasonably accessible electronic network, provided that 43

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the information required to gain access to such list is provided with the 1 notice of the meeting; or (2) during ordinary business hours, at the prin-2 3 cipal place of business of the corporation. In the event the corporation determines to make the list available on an electronic network, the cor-4 poration may take reasonable steps to ensure that such information is 5available only to stockholders of the corporation. If the meeting is to be 6 7 held. The *at a place*, *then the* list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may 8 9 be inspected by any stockholder who is present. If the meeting is to be 10 held solely by means of remote communication, then the list shall also be 11 open to the examination of any stockholder during the whole time of the meeting on a reasonably accessible electronic network, and the informa-12 13 tion required to access such list shall be provided with the notice of the 14meeting.

(b) Upon the willful neglect or refusal of the directors to produce
such a list at any meeting for the election of directors *held at a place, or*to open such a list to examination on a reasonably accessible electronic
network during any meeting for the election of directors held solely by
means of remote communication, they shall be ineligible for election to
any office at such meeting.

(c) The stock ledger shall be the only evidence as to who are the
stockholders entitled to examine the stock ledger, the list required by this
section or the books of the corporation, or to vote in person or by proxy
at any meeting of the stockholders.

Sec. 33. K.S.A. 17-6510 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6510. (a) As used in this section, "stockholder" means a stockholder of record of stock in a stock corporation and also a member of a nonstock corporation as reflected on the records of the nonstock corporation. As used in this section, the term "list of stockholders" includes lists of members in a nonstock corporation.

31 (b) Any stockholder, in person or by attorney or other agent, upon 32 written demand under oath stating the purpose thereof, shall have the right during the usual hours for business to inspect for any proper purpose 33 the corporation's bylaws, stock register ledger, a list of its stockholders, 34 35 books of account, records of the proceedings of the stockholders and directors and the corporation's and its other books and records, and to 36 37 make copies or extracts therefrom. A proper purpose shall mean a purpose reasonably related to such person's interest as a stockholder. In every 38 instance where an attorney or other agent shall be the person who seeks 39 40the right of to inspection, the demand under oath shall be accompanied by a power of attorney or such other writing which authorizes the attorney 4142 or other agent to so act on behalf of the stockholder. The demand under oath shall be directed to the corporation at its registered office in this 43

1 state or at its principal place of business.

2 (c) If the corporation, or an officer or agent thereof, refuses to permit 3 an inspection sought by a stockholder or attorney or other agent acting for the stockholder pursuant to subsection (b) or does not reply to the 4 demand within five business days after the demand has been made, the 56 stockholder may apply to the district court for an order to compel such 7 inspection. The district court is hereby vested with exclusive jurisdiction to determine whether or not the person seeking inspection is entitled to 8 9 the inspection sought. The court may summarily order the corporation to 10 permit the stockholder to inspect any such records or instruments the 11 corporation's stock ledger, an existing list of stockholders, and its other books and records, and to make copies or extracts therefrom; or the court 12 13 may order the corporation to furnish to the stockholder a list of its stock-14 holders as of a specific date on condition that the stockholder first pay to the corporation the reasonable cost of obtaining and furnishing such list 1516 and on such other conditions as the court deems appropriate. Where the 17stockholder seeks to inspect the corporation's books and records, other 18 than its stock ledger or list of stockholders, such stockholder shall first 19 establish (1) that such stockholder has complied with the provisions of 20 this section respecting the form and manner of making demand for in-21spection of such documents; and (2) that the inspection such stockholder 22 seeks is for a proper purpose. Where the stockholder seeks to inspect the 23corporation's stock ledger or list of stockholders and such stockholder has 24complied with the provisions of this section respecting the form and man-25ner of making demand for inspection of such documents, the burden of 26 proof shall be upon the corporation to establish that the inspection such 27 stockholder seeks is for an improper purpose. The court, in its discretion, 28may prescribe any limitations or conditions with reference to the inspec-29 tion, or award such other or further relief as the court may deem just and 30 proper. The court may order books, documents and records, pertinent 31 extracts therefrom, or duly authenticated copies thereof, to be brought 32 within this state and kept in this state upon such terms and conditions as 33 the order may prescribe.

(d) Any director, including a member of the governing body of a non-34 35 stock corporation, shall have the right to examine the corporation's stock 36 ledger, a list of its stockholders and its other books and records for a 37 purpose reasonably related to such the director's position as a director. 38 The district court is hereby vested with the exclusive jurisdiction to de-39 termine whether a director is entitled to the inspection sought. The court 40may summarily order the corporation to permit the director to inspect any and all books and records, the stock ledger and the stock list of stock-4142 holders and to make copies or extracts therefrom. The court may, in its 43 discretion, prescribe any limitations or conditions with reference to the

1	inspection, or award such other and further relief as the court may deem
2	just and proper.

3 Sec. 34. K.S.A. 17-6511 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-4 6511. In its articles of incorporation, every corporation may confer upon the holders of any bonds, debentures or other obligations issued or to be 56 issued by the corporation the power to vote in respect to the corporate 7 affairs and management of the corporation to the extent and in the manner provided in the articles of incorporation, and it may confer upon such 8 9 holders of bonds, debentures or other obligations the same right of in-10 spection of its books, accounts and other records, and also any other 11 rights, which the stockholders of the corporation have or may have by 12 reason of the provisions of this act or of its articles of incorporation. If 13 the articles of incorporation so provide such holders of bonds, debentures 14or other obligations shall be deemed to be stockholders, and their bonds, 15debentures or other obligations shall be deemed to be shares of stock, 16 for the purpose of any provision of this <del>chapter</del> act which requires the 17vote of stockholders as a prerequisite to any corporate action and the 18 articles of incorporation may divest the holders of capital stock, in whole 19 or in part, of their right to vote on any corporate matter whatsoever, 20 except as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6602 and amendments thereto.

21 Sec. 35. K.S.A. 17-6512 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-22 6512. (a) Whenever stockholders are required or permitted to take any 23 action at a meeting, a written notice of the meeting shall be given which 24shall state the place, if any, date and hour of the meeting, the means of 25remote communication, if any, by which stockholders and proxy holders 26 may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such meeting, and, in 27 the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the 28meeting is called.

29 (b) Unless otherwise provided in this act, the written notice of any 30 meeting shall be given not less than 10 nor more than 60 days before the 31 date of the meeting to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting. 32 If mailed, notice is given when deposited in the United States mail, post-33 age prepaid, directed to the stockholder at his such stockholder's address 34 as it appears on the records of the corporation. An affidavit of the sec-35 retary or an assistant secretary or of the transfer agent or other agent of 36 the corporation that the notice has been given shall be prima facie evi-37 dence of the facts stated therein in the absence of fraud.

38 (c) When a meeting is adjourned to another time or place, unless the 39 bylaws otherwise require, notice need not be given of the adjourned 40 meeting if the time and place thereof, place, if any, thereof, and the 41 means of remote communication, if any, by which stockholders and proxy 42 holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such adjourned

43 *meeting* are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken.

1 At the adjourned meeting the corporation may transact any business 2 which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjourn-3 ment is for more than 30 days, or if after the adjournment a new record 4 date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, a notice of the adjourned meeting 5 shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at the 6 meeting.

7 Sec. 36. K.S.A. 17-6513 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6513. (a) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation or 8 9 bylaws: (1) Vacancies and newly created directorships resulting from any 10 increase in the authorized number of directors elected by all of the stock-11 holders having the right to vote as a single class may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, or by a sole 12 13 remaining director or; (2) whenever the holders of any class or classes of 14 stock or series thereof are entitled to elect one or more directors by the 15articles of incorporation, vacancies and newly created directorships of such class or classes or series may be filled by a majority of the directors 16 elected by such class or classes or series thereof then in office, or by a 1718 sole remaining director so elected.

19 If, at any time, by reason of death or resignation or other cause, a 20 corporation should have no directors in office, then any receiver, officer 21 or any stockholder or an executor, administrator, trustee or guardian of 22 a stockholder, or other fiduciary entrusted with like responsibility for the person or estate of a stockholder, may call a special meeting of stock-2324holders in accordance with the provisions of the articles of incorporation 25or the bylaws, or may apply to the district court for a decree summarily 26 ordering an election as provided in K.S.A. 17-6501, and amendments 27 thereto.

If, at any time, in a corporation where the holders of any class or classes 2829 of stock or series thereof are entitled by the articles of incorporation to 30 elect one or more directors, there is no director in office elected by the 31 holders of any such class or series of stock, by reason of death or resig-32 nation or other cause, then any receiver, officer or any stockholder of such class or series, as the case may be, or an executor, administrator, 33 trustee or guardian of any such stockholder, or other fiduciary entrusted 34 35 with like responsibility for the person or estate of any such stockholder, 36 may call a special meeting of stockholders of such class or series, in ac-37 cordance with the provisions of the articles of incorporation or bylaws for calling a special meeting of stockholders, or may apply to the district court 38 for a decree summarily ordering an election, as provided in K.S.A. 17-39 406501, and amendments thereto.

(b) In the case of a corporation the directors of which are divided
into classes, any directors chosen under subsection (a) shall hold office
until the next election of the class for which such directors shall have

1 been chosen, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

2 (c) If, at the time of filling any vacancy or any newly created direc-3 torship, the directors then in office shall constitute less than a majority 4 of the whole board, as constituted immediately prior to any such increase, the district court, upon application of any stockholder or stockholders 56 holding at least 10% of the total number of the shares at the time out-7 standing having the right to vote for such directors, may summarily order an election to be held to fill any such vacancies or newly created direc-8 9 torships, or to replace the directors chosen by the directors then in office 10 as aforesaid, which election shall be governed by the provisions of K.S.A. 11 17-6501, and amendments thereto, as far as applicable.

(d) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation or bylaws, when one or more directors shall resign from the board, effective at a future date, a majority of the directors then in office, including those who have so resigned, shall have power to fill such vacancy or vacancies, the vote thereon to take effect when such resignation or resignations shall become effective, and each director so chosen shall hold office as provided in this section in the filling of other vacancies.

19 Sec. 37. K.S.A. 17-6514 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-20 6514. Any records maintained by a corporation in the regular course of 21its business, including its stock ledger, books of account and minute 22 books, may be kept on, or by means of, or be in the form of, punch cards, magnetic tape, photographs, microphotographs or any other information 2324storage device, if the reports or method provided that the records so kept 25can be converted into clearly legible written paper form within a reason-26 able time. Any corporation shall so convert any records so kept upon the 27 request of any person entitled to inspect the same. Where When records 28are kept in such manner, a clearly legible written paper form produced 29 from the eards, tapes, photographs, microphotographs or other or by the 30 means of the information storage device or method shall be admissible in 31 evidence and shall be accepted for all other purposes, to the same extent 32 as an original written paper record of the same information would have 33 been, when said written provided the paper form accurately portrays the 34 record.

Sec. 38. K.S.A. 17-6517 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6517. (a) The district court, in any proceeding instituted under K.S.A. 17-6501, 17-6505 or 17-6515, *and amendments thereto*, may determine the right and power of persons claiming to own stock, or in the case of a corporation without capital stock, of the persons claiming to be members, to vote at any meeting of the stockholders or members.

41 (b) The court may appoint a master to hold any election provided for 42 in K.S.A. 17-6501, 17-6505 or 17-6515, *and amendments thereto*, under

43 such orders and powers as it deems proper; and it may punish any officer

or director for contempt in case of disobedience of any order made by
 the court; and, in case of disobedience by a corporation of any order made
 by the court, may enter a decree against such corporation for a penalty
 of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) \$50,000.

Sec. 39. K.S.A. 17-6518 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-56518. (a) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, any 6 7 action required by this act to be taken at any annual or special meeting 8 of stockholders of a corporation, or any action which may be taken at any 9 annual or special meeting of such stockholders, may be taken without a 10 meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent or consents 11 in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all the holders of outstanding stock entitled to vote thereon. Such consents shall 12 13 be delivered to the corporation by delivery to its registered office in this 14 state, its principal place of business or an officer or agent of the corpo-15ration having custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of stockholders are recorded. Delivery shall be by return receipt delivery as 16 defined in K.S.A. 60-303, and amendments thereto, or by hand. 17

(b) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, any 1819 action required by this chapter to be taken at a meeting of the members 20 of a nonstock corporation, or any action which may be taken at any meet-21 ing of the members of a nonstock corporation, may be taken without a 22 meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent or consents in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by members 2324having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be neces-25sary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all members 26 having a right to vote thereon were present and voted and shall be deliv-27 ered to the corporation by delivery to its registered office in this state, its principal place of business or an officer or agent of the corporation having 2829 custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of members are 30 recorded. Delivery shall be by return receipt delivery as defined in K.S.A. 60-303, and amendments thereto, or by hand. 31

32 (c) Every written consent shall bear the date of signature of each 33 stockholder or member who signs the consent, and no written consent shall be effective to take the corporate action referred to therein unless, 34 35 within 60 days of the earliest dated consent delivered in the manner required by this section to the corporation, written consents signed by a 36 37 sufficient number of holders or members to take action are delivered to the corporation by delivery to its registered office in this state, its principal 38 place of business or an officer or agent of the corporation having custody 39 of the book in which proceedings of meetings of stockholders or members 40are recorded. Delivery shall be by return receipt delivery as defined in 41 42 K.S.A. 60-303, and amendments thereto, or by hand.

43 (d) (1) A telegram, cablegram or other electronic transmission con-

senting to an action to be taken and transmitted by a stockholder, member 1 2 or proxy holder, or by a person or persons authorized to act for a stockholder, member or proxy holder, shall be deemed to be written, signed 3 and dated for the purposes of this section, provided that any such tele-4  $\mathbf{5}$ gram, cablegram or other electronic transmission sets forth or is delivered with information from which the corporation can determine: (A) That the 6 7 telegram, cablegram or other electronic transmission was transmitted by the stockholder, member or proxy holder or by a person or persons au-8 thorized to act for the stockholder, member or proxy holder; and (B) the 9 10 date on which such stockholder, member or proxy holder or authorized person or persons transmitted such telegram, cablegram or electronic 11 transmission. The date on which such telegram, cablegram or electronic 12 transmission is transmitted shall be deemed to be the date on which such 13 consent was signed. No consent given by telegram, cablegram or other 1415electronic transmission shall be deemed to have been delivered until such consent is reproduced in paper form and until such paper form shall be 16 17delivered to the corporation by delivery to its registered office in this state, 18 its principal place of business or an officer or agent of the corporation having custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of stock-19 20holders or members are recorded. Delivery shall be made by return receipt 21 delivery as defined in K.S.A. 60-303, and amendments thereto, by hand or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. Notwithstand-22 ing the foregoing limitations on delivery, consents given by telegram, ca-2324blegram or other electronic transmission, may be otherwise delivered to 25the principal place of business of the corporation or to an officer or agent 26 of the corporation having custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of stockholders are recorded if, to the extent and in the manner 27 provided by resolution of the board of directors or governing body of the 2829 corporation.

(2) Any copy, facsimile or other reliable reproduction of a consent in
writing may be substituted or used in lieu of the original writing for any
and all purposes for which the original writing could be used, provided
that such copy, facsimile or other reproduction shall be a complete reproduction of the entire original writing.

35 (e) Prompt notice of the taking of the corporate action without a meeting by less than unanimous written consent shall be given to those stock-36 37 holders or members who have not consented in writing and who, if the action had been taken at a meeting, would have been entitled to notice of 38 the meeting if the record date for such meeting had been the date that 39 40written consents signed by a sufficient number of holders or members to take the action were delivered to the corporation as provided in subsection 41 42 (c). In the event that the action which is consented to is such as would

43 have required the filing of a certificate under any other section of this

code act, if such action had been voted upon on by stockholders or by
 members at a meeting thereof, the certificate filed under such other sec tion shall state, in lieu of any statement required by such section con cerning a any vote of stockholders or members, that written consent has
 been given in accordance with the provisions of this section.

6 Sec. 40. K.S.A. 17-6519 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7 6519. Whenever notice is required to be given under any provision of this act or of the articles of incorporation or bylaws, a written waiver thereof, 8 9 signed by the person entitled to notice, or a waiver by electronic trans-10 mission by the person entitled to notice, whether before or after the time 11 stated therein shall be deemed equivalent to notice. Attendance of a per-12 son at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except 13 when the person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting, 14at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because 15the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to 16 be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of 17the stockholders, directors or members of a committee of directors need 18be specified in any written waiver of notice or any waiver by electronic 19transmission unless so required by the articles of incorporation or the 20bylaws.

21 Sec. 41. K.S.A. 17-6520 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-22 6520. (a) Whenever notice is required to be given, under any provision 23of this act or of the articles of incorporation or bylaws of any corporation, 24to any person with whom communication is unlawful, the giving of such 25notice to such person shall not be required and there shall be no duty to 26 apply to any governmental authority or agency for a license or permit to 27 give such notice to such person. Any action or meeting which shall be 28taken or held without notice to any such person with whom communi-29 cation is unlawful shall have the same force and effect as if such notice 30 had been duly given. In the event that the action taken by the corporation 31 is such as to require the filing of a certificate under any of the other 32 sections of this act, the certificate shall state, if such is the fact and if 33 notice is required, that notice was given to all persons entitled to receive 34 notice except such persons with whom communication is unlawful.

35 (b) Whenever notice is required to be given, under any provision of 36 this act or the articles of incorporation or bylaws of any corporation, to 37 any stockholder or, if the corporation is a nonstock corporation, to any 38 member, to whom (1) notice of two consecutive annual meetings, and all 39 notices of meetings or of the taking of action by written consent without 40a meeting to such person during the period between such two consecutive annual meetings, or (2) all, and at least two payments, if sent by first class 4142 mail, of dividends or interest on securities during a 12-month period, have

43 been mailed addressed to such person at the such person's address as

shown on the records of the corporation and have been returned unde-1 liverable, the giving of such notice to such person shall not be required. 2 3 Any action or meeting which shall be taken or held without notice to such 4 person shall have the same force and effect as if such notice had been duly given. If any such person shall deliver to the corporation a written 56 notice setting forth the such person's then current address, the require-7 ment that notice be given to such person shall be reinstated. In the event that the action taken by the corporation is such as to require the filing of 8 9 a certificate under any of the other sections of this chapter, the certificate 10 need not state that notice was not given to persons to whom notice was 11 not required to be given pursuant to this subsection.

12 (c) The exception in subsection (b)(1) to the requirement that notice 13 be given shall not be applicable to any notice returned as undeliverable 14 if the notice was given by electronic transmission.

15New Sec. 42. (a) In advance of any meeting of stockholders, the cor-16 poration shall appoint one or more inspectors to act at the meeting and 17make a written report thereof. The corporation may designate one or 18more persons as alternate inspectors to replace any inspector who fails to 19 act. If no inspector or alternate is able to act at a meeting of stockholders, 20 the person presiding at the meeting shall appoint one or more inspectors 21to act at the meeting. Before entering upon the discharge of the duties 22 of inspector, each inspector shall take and sign an oath faithfully to exe-23 cute the duties of inspector with strict impartiality and according to the 24best of such inspector's ability. 25

The inspectors shall: (b)

Ascertain the number of shares outstanding and the voting power 26(1)27 of each;

28determine the shares represented at a meeting and the validity of (2)29 proxies and ballots;

30 count all votes and ballots; (3)

31 determine and retain for a reasonable period a record of the dis-(4)32 position of any challenges made to any determination by the inspectors; 33 and

34 certify their determination of the number of shares represented (5)35 at the meeting, and their count of all votes and ballots. The inspectors 36 may appoint or retain other persons or entities to assist the inspectors in 37 the performance of the duties of the inspectors.

38 (c) The date and time of the opening and the closing of the polls for 39 each matter upon which the stockholders will vote at a meeting shall be 40announced at the meeting. No ballot, proxies or votes, nor any revocations thereof or changes thereto, shall be accepted by the inspectors after the 4142 closing of the polls unless the district court upon application by a stock-43 holder determines otherwise.

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(d) In determining the validity and counting of proxies and ballots, 1 2 the inspectors shall be limited to an examination of the proxies, any en-3 velopes submitted with those proxies, any information provided in accordance with subsection (f) of K.S.A. 17-6501 or subsection (c)(2) of 17-4 6502, and amendments thereto, or any information provided pursuant to 5subsection (a)(2)(B)(i) or (iii) of K.S.A. 17-6501, and amendments 6 7 thereto, ballots and the regular books and records of the corporation, except that the inspectors may consider other reliable information for the 8 9 limited purpose of reconciling proxies and ballots submitted by or on 10 behalf of banks, brokers, their nominees or similar persons which rep-11 resent more votes than the holder of a proxy is authorized by the record owner to cast or more votes than the stockholder holds of record. If the 12 13 inspectors consider other reliable information for the limited purpose 14 permitted herein, the inspectors at the time they make their certification 15pursuant to subsection (b)(5) shall specify the precise information con-16 sidered by them including the person or persons from whom they ob-17tained the information, when the information was obtained, the means 18 by which the information was obtained and the basis for the inspectors' 19 belief that such information is accurate and reliable.

20 (e) Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation or by-21 laws, this section shall not apply to a corporation that does not have a 22 class of voting stock that is:

(1) Listed on a national securities exchange;

(2) authorized for quotation on an interdealer quotation system of a
 registered national securities association; or

26 (3) held of record by more than 2,000 stockholders.

(f) This section shall be part of and supplemental to article 65 ofchapter 17 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

29 New Sec. 43. (a) Without limiting the manner by which notice oth-30 erwise may be given effectively to stockholders, any notice to stockholders 31 given by the corporation under any provisions of this act, the articles of 32 incorporation, or the bylaws shall be effective if given by a form of elec-33 tronic transmission consented to by the stockholders to whom the notice 34 is given. Any such consent shall be revocable by the stockholder by written 35 notice to the corporation. Any such consent shall be deemed revoked if: 36 (1) The corporation is unable to deliver by electronic transmission two 37 consecutive notices given by the corporation in accordance with such 38 consent; and (2) such inability becomes known to the secretary or an 39 assistant secretary of the corporation or to the transfer agent, or other 40person responsible for the giving of notice. The inadvertent failure to 41 treat such inability as a revocation shall not invalidate any meeting or 42 other action.

43 (b) Notice given pursuant to subsection (a) shall be deemed given:

(1) If by facsimile telecommunication, when directed to a number at 1 which the stockholder has consented to receive notice; (2) if by electronic 2 3 mail, when directed to an electronic mail address at which the stockholder has consented to receive notice; (3) if by a posting on an electronic net-4 work together with separate notice to the stockholder of such specific 56 posting, upon the later of (A) such posting and (B) the giving of such 7 separate notice; and (4) if by any other form of electronic transmission, when directed to the stockholder. An affidavit of the secretary or an as-8 9 sistant secretary or of the transfer agent or other agent of the corporation 10 that the notice has been given by a form of electronic transmission, in the 11 absence of fraud, shall be prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein. For purposes of this act, "electronic transmission" means any form 12 (c) 13 of communication, not directly involving the physical transmission of pa-

14 per, that creates a record that may be retained, retrieved and reviewed 15by a recipient thereof, and that may be directly reproduced in paper form 16 by such a recipient through an automated process.

(d) This section shall apply to a corporation organized under this act 1718 that is not authorized to issue capital stock, and when so applied, all 19 references to stockholders shall be deemed to refer to members of such 20 a corporation.

21 (e) This section shall not apply to K.S.A. 17-6414, 17-6906, 17-7001 22 or 17-7002, and amendments thereto.

(f) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to article 65 of 23 24chapter 17 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto. 25Sec. 44. K.S.A. 17-6604 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-26 6604. (a) A corporation, by resolution of its board of directors, may reduce 27 its capital in any of the following ways by:

(1) Reducing or eliminating the capital represented by shares of cap-2829 ital stock which have been retired;

30 applying to an otherwise authorized purchase or redemption of (2)31 outstanding shares of its capital stock some or all of the capital repre-32 sented by the shares being purchased or redeemed, or any capital that 33 has not been allocated to any particular class of its capital stock;

34 applying to an otherwise authorized conversion or exchange of (3)35 outstanding shares of its capital stock some or all of the capital represented 36 by the shares being converted or exchanged, or some or all of any capital that has not been allocated to any particular class of its capital stock, or 37

both, to the extent that such capital in the aggregate exceeds the total 38

39 aggregate par value or the stated capital of any previously unissued shares 40

issuable upon such conversion or exchange; or

41 (4) transferring to surplus: (A) Some or all of the capital not repre-42 sented by any particular class of its capital stock; (B) some or all of the 43 capital represented by issued shares of its par value capital stock, which

capital is in excess of the aggregate par value of such shares; or (C) some 1 2 of the capital represented by issued shares of its capital stock without par value.

Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, no reduction 4 (b) of capital shall be made or effected unless the assets of the corporation 56 remaining after such reduction shall be sufficient to pay any debts of the 7 corporation for which payment has not been otherwise provided. No reduction of capital shall release any liability of any stockholder whose 8 9 shares have not been fully paid.

10 Sec. 45. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6605 is hereby amended to read as 11 follows: 17-6605. (a) Whenever it is desired, a corporation may integrate into a single instrument all of the provisions of its articles of incorporation 12 13 which are then in effect and operative as a result of there having been 14filed with the secretary of state one or more certificates or other instru-15ments pursuant to any of the sections referred to in K.S.A. 17-6004, and 16 amendments thereto. Such corporation may at the same time also further 17amend its articles of incorporation by adopting a restated articles of 18 incorporation.

19 (b) If the restated articles of incorporation merely restate and inte-20 grate but do not further amend the articles of incorporation, as thereto-21 fore amended or supplemented by any instrument that was filed pursuant 22 to any of the sections mentioned in K.S.A. 17-6004, and amendments 23thereto, such restated articles may be adopted by the board of directors 24without a vote of the stockholders, or they may be proposed by the di-25rectors and submitted by them to the stockholders for adoption, in which 26 case the procedure and vote required by K.S.A. 17-6602, and amend-27 ments thereto, for amendment of the articles of incorporation shall be 28applicable. If the restated articles of incorporation restate and integrate 29 and also further amend in any respect the articles of incorporation, as 30 theretofore amended or supplemented, they shall be proposed by the 31 directors and adopted by the stockholders in the manner and by the vote 32 prescribed by K.S.A. 17-6602, and amendments thereto, or, if the cor-33 poration has not received any payment for any of its stock, in the manner and by the vote prescribed by K.S.A. 17-6601, and amendments thereto. 34 35 Any restated articles of incorporation shall be specifically desig-(c) 36 nated as such in its heading. They shall state, either in the heading or in an introductory paragraph, the corporation's present name, and, if it has 37 38 been changed, the name under which it was originally incorporated, and 39 the date of filing of its original articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. Any restated articles shall also state that they were duly adopted 40by the directors or stockholders, as the case may be, in accordance with 4142 the provisions of this section. If they were adopted by the board of di-

rectors without a vote of the stockholders unless it was adopted pursuant 43

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to the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6601, and amendments thereto, they shall 1 2 state that they only restate and integrate and do not further amend the 3 provisions of the corporation's articles of incorporation as theretofore amended or supplemented, and that there is no discrepancy between 4 those provisions and the provisions of the restated articles. A restated 56 articles of incorporation may omit: (1) Such provisions of the original 7 articles of incorporation which named the incorporator or incorporators, the initial board of directors, and the original subscribers for shares; and 8 9 (2) such provisions contained in any amendment to the articles of incor-10 poration as were necessary to effect a change, exchange, reclassification, 11 subdivision, combination or cancellation of stock if such change, exchange, reclassification, subdivision, combination or cancellation has 12 13 become effective. Any such omissions shall not be deemed a further 14amendment.

15(d) Any restated articles of incorporation shall be executed and filed 16 in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto. Upon filing 17with the secretary of state, the corporation's original articles of incorpo-18 ration, as theretofore amended or supplemented, shall be superseded; 19 and thenceforth the restated articles, including any further amendments 20 or changes made thereby, shall be the articles of incorporation of the 21 corporation, but the original date of incorporation shall remain 22 unchanged.

(e) Any amendment or change effected in connection with the restatement and integration of the articles of incorporation shall be subject
to any other provisions of this act, not inconsistent with this section, which
would apply if a separate certificate of amendment were filed to effect
such amendment or change.

Sec. 46. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6701 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6701. (a) Any two or more corporations existing under the laws of this state and authorized to issue capital stock may merge into a single corporation, which may be any one of the constituent corporations or they may consolidate into a new corporation formed by the consolidation, pursuant to an agreement of merger or consolidation, as the case may be, complying and approved in accordance with this section.

35 (b) The board of directors of each corporation which desires to merge 36 or consolidate shall adopt a resolution approving an agreement of merger or consolidation. The agreement shall state: (1) The terms and conditions 37 38 of the merger or consolidation; (2) the mode of carrying the same into 39 effect; (3) in the case of a merger, such amendments or changes in the 40articles of incorporation of the surviving corporation as are desired to be 41 effected by the merger or, if no such amendments or changes are desired, 42 a statement that the articles of incorporation of the surviving corporation

43 shall be its articles of incorporation; (4) in the case of consolidation, that

the articles of incorporation of the resulting corporation shall be as is set 1 forth in an attachment to the agreement; (5) the manner of converting 2 3 the shares of each of the constituent corporations into shares or other securities of the corporation surviving or resulting from the merger or 4 consolidation, and, if any shares of any of the constituent corporations are 56 not to be converted solely into shares or other securities of the surviving 7 or resulting corporation, the cash, property, rights or securities of any other corporation or entity which the holders of such shares are to receive 8 9 in exchange for, or upon conversion of, such shares and the surrender of 10 the any certificates evidencing certificated shares, which cash, property, 11 rights or securities of any other corporation *or entity* may be in addition 12 to or in lieu of shares or other securities of the surviving or resulting 13 corporation; and (6) such other details or provisions as are deemed de-14 sirable, including, without limiting, the generality of the foregoing, a pro-15vision for the payment of cash in lieu of the issuance or recognition of 16 fractional shares, interests or rights, or for any other arrangement with respect thereto, consistent with the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6405, and 1718 amendments thereto. The agreement adopted as provided in this subsec-19 tion shall be executed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amend-20 ments thereto. Any terms of the agreement of merger or consolidation 21 may be made dependent upon facts ascertainable outside of such agree-22 ment, provided that the manner in which such facts shall operate upon the terms of the agreement is clearly and expressly set forth in the agree-23 ment of merger or consolidation. The term "facts," as used in the preced-2425ing sentence, includes, but is not limited to, the occurrence of any event, 26 including a determination or action by any person or body, including the 27 corporation.

(c) The agreement required by subsection (b) shall be submitted to 2829 the stockholders of each constituent corporation at an annual or special 30 meeting thereof for the purpose of acting on the agreement. The terms of the agreement may require that the agreement be submitted to the 31 32 stockholders whether or not the board of directors determines at any time 33 subsequent to declaring its advisability that the agreement is no longer advisable and recommends that the stockholders reject it. Due notice of 34 35 the time, place and purpose of the meeting shall be mailed to each holder 36 of stock of the corporation, whether voting or nonvoting, at the stock-37 holder's address as it appears on the records of the corporation, at least 38 20 days prior to the date of the meeting. The notice shall contain a copy of the agreement or a brief summary thereof, as the directors deem ad-39 40visable. At the meeting the agreement shall be considered and a vote 41 taken for its adoption or rejection. If a majority of the outstanding stock 42 of the corporation entitled to vote thereon shall be voted for the adoption of the agreement, that fact shall be certified on the agreement by the 43

secretary or assistant secretary of the corporation. If the agreement is 1 adopted and certified by each constituent corporation, it shall then be 2 3 executed and filed, and shall become effective, in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto. In lieu of filing the agreement of 4 merger or consolidation, the surviving or resulting corporation may file a 56 certificate of merger or consolidation, executed in accordance with K.S.A. 7 17-6003, and amendments thereto, which states: (1) The name and state of incorporation of each of the constituent corporations; (2) that an agree-8 9 ment of merger or consolidation has been approved, adopted, certified 10 and executed by each of the constituent corporations in accordance with 11 this section; (3) the name of the surviving or resulting corporation; (4) in 12 the case of a merger, such amendments or changes in the articles of 13 incorporation of the surviving corporation as are desired to be effected 14 by the merger or, if no such <del>changes or</del> amendments or changes are 15desired, a statement that the articles of incorporation of one of the sur-16 viving constituent corporations shall be the articles of incorporation of the 17surviving corporation; (5) in the case of a consolidation, that the articles 18 of incorporation of the resulting corporation shall be as is set forth in an 19 attachment to the certificate; (6) that the executed agreement of consol-20 idation or merger is on file at the principal place of business of the sur-21 viving or resulting corporation, stating the address thereof; and (7) that a 22 copy of the agreement of consolidation or merger will be furnished by 23 the surviving or resulting corporation, on request and without cost, to any 24stockholder of any constituent corporation.

25Any agreement of merger or consolidation may contain a provi-(d) 26 sion that at any time prior to the filing of time that the agreement ,or 27 certificate in lieu thereof, *filed* with the secretary of state *becomes effective* in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto, the agree-2829 ment may be terminated by the board of directors of any constituent 30 corporation notwithstanding approval of the agreement by the stockhold-31 ers of all or any of the constituent corporations; in the event the agreement 32 of merger or consolidation is terminated after the filing of the agreement, 33 or a certificate, with the secretary of state but before the agreement, or certificate, has become effective, a certificate of termination of merger or 34 35 consolidation shall be filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and 36 amendments thereto. Any agreement of merger or consolidation may con-37 tain a provision that the boards of directors of the constituent corporations 38 may amend the agreement at any time prior to the filing of the agreement, or a certificate in lieu thereof, with the secretary of state, except that an 39 40amendment made subsequent to the adoption of the agreement by the stockholders of any constituent corporation shall not: (1) Alter or change 4142 the amount or kind of shares, securities, cash, property or and/or rights, or any of the proceedings, to be received in exchange for or on conversion 43

of all or any of the shares of any class or series thereof of such constituent 1 2 corporation; (2) alter or change any term of the articles of incorporation 3 of the surviving or resulting corporation to be effected by the merger or consolidation; or (3) alter or change any of the terms and conditions of 4 the agreement if such alteration or change would adversely affect the 5holders of any class or series thereof of such constituent corporation; in 6 7 the event the agreement of merger or consolidation is amended after the filing thereof with the secretary of state but before the agreement has 8 9 become effective, a certificate of amendments of merger or consolidation 10 shall be filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto. 11 (e) In the case of a merger, the articles of incorporation of the sur-12 viving corporation shall automatically be amended to the extent, if any,

that changes in the articles of incorporation are set forth in the agreement
of merger.
(f) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection (c), unless re-

16 quired by its articles of incorporation, no vote of stockholders of a con-17stituent corporation surviving a merger shall be necessary to authorize a 18 merger if: (1) The agreement of merger does not amend in any respect 19 the articles of incorporation of such constituent corporation; (2) each 20 share of stock of such constituent corporation outstanding immediately 21 prior to the effective date of the merger is to be an identical outstanding 22 or treasury share of the surviving corporation after the effective date of 23 the merger; and (3) either no shares of common stock of the surviving 24corporation and no shares, securities or obligations convertible into such 25stock are to be issued or delivered under the plan of merger, or the 26 authorized unissued shares or the treasury shares of common stock of the 27 surviving corporation to be issued or delivered under the plan of merger plus those initially issuable upon conversion of any other shares, securities 2829 or obligations to be issued or delivered under such plan do not exceed 30 20% of the shares of common stock of such constituent corporation out-31 standing immediately prior to the effective date of the merger.

32 No vote of stockholders of a constituent corporation shall be necessary 33 to authorize a merger or consolidation if no shares of the stock of such corporation shall have been issued prior to the adoption by the board of 34 35 directors of the resolution approving the agreement of merger or con-36 solidation. If an agreement of merger is adopted by the constituent cor-37 poration surviving the merger, by action of its board of directors and 38 without any vote of its stockholders pursuant to this subsection, the sec-39 retary or assistant secretary of that corporation shall certify on the agree-40ment that the agreement has been adopted pursuant to this subsection 41 and: (1) (i) If it has been adopted pursuant to the first sentence of this 42 subsection, that the conditions specified in that sentence have been satisfied, or (2) (*ii*) if it has been adopted pursuant to the second sentence 43

of this subsection, that no shares of stock of such corporation were issued
 prior to the adoption by the board of directors of the resolution approving
 the agreement of merger or consolidation.

The agreement adopted and certified shall then be executed and filed, and shall become effective, in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto. Such filing shall constitute a representation by the person who executes the agreement that the facts stated in the certificate remain true immediately prior to such filing.

9 (g) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection (c) of this sec-10 tion, unless expressly required by its articles of incorporation, no vote of 11 stockholders of a constituent corporation shall be necessary to authorize 12 a merger with or into a single direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary 13 of such constituent corporation if:

(1) Such constituent corporation and the direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiary of such constituent corporation are the only constituent
 corporations entities to the merger;

17 (2) each share or fraction of a share of the capital stock of the con-18 stituent corporation outstanding immediately prior to the effective time 19 of the merger is converted in the merger into a share or equal fraction 20 of share of capital stock of a holding company having the same designa-21 tions, rights, powers and preferences, and the qualifications, limitations 22 and restrictions thereof, as the share of stock of the constituent corpo-23 ration being converted in the merger;

(3) the holding company and <del>cach of</del> the constituent *corporations are*corporations to the merger are corporations of this state and the direct
or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary that is the other constituent entity
to the merger is a corporation or limited liability company of this state;

the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the holding company 28(4)29 immediately following the effective time of the merger contain provisions 30 identical to the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the constituent 31 corporation immediately prior to the effective time of the merger, other 32 than provisions, if any, regarding the incorporator or incorporators, the 33 corporate name, the registered office and agent, the initial board of di-34 rectors and the initial subscribers for shares and such provisions contained 35 in any amendment to the articles of incorporation as were necessary to 36 effect a change, exchange, reclassification, subdivision, combination or 37 cancellation of stock, if such change, exchange, reclassification, subdivi-38 *sion, combination* or cancellation has become effective;

(5) as a result of the merger the constituent corporation or its suc cessor corporation becomes or remains a direct or indirect wholly-owned
 subsidiary of the holding company;

42 (6) the directors of the constituent corporation become or remain the43 directors of the holding company upon the effective time of the merger;

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and

1 2 the articles of incorporation organizational documents of the sur-(7)3 viving corporation *entity* immediately following the effective time of the 4 merger are contain provisions identical to the articles of incorporation of the constituent corporation immediately prior to the effective time of the 56 merger, ( other than provisions, if any, regarding the incorporator or in-7 corporators, the corporate *or entity* name, the registered office and agent, 8 the initial board of directors and the initial subscribers for shares, refer-9 ences to members rather than stockholders or shareholders, references to 10 interests, units or the like rather than stock or shares, references to man-11 agers, managing members or other members of the governing body rather 12 than directors and such provisions contained in any amendment to the 13 articles of incorporation as were necessary to effect a change, exchange, 14 reclassification, subdivision, combination or cancellation of stock, if such 15change, exchange, reclassification, subdivision, combination or cancella-16 tion has become effective; except that (i) the articles of incorporation of 17the surviving corporation). (A) If the organizational documents of the 18surviving entity do not contain the following provisions, they shall be 19amended in the merger to contain a provision provisions requiring that: 20(i) any act or transaction by or involving the surviving entity, other than 21 the election or removal of directors of the surviving corporation, or trans-22 action by or involving the surviving corporation or managers, managing members or other members of the governing body of the surviving entity, 23 24that requires for its adoption under this article or its articles of incorpo-25ration act or its organizational documents the approval of the stockholders 26 or members of the surviving corporation entity shall, by specific reference 27 to this subsection, require, in addition, the approval of the stockholders 28of the holding company, or any successor by merger, by the same vote as 29 is required by this article or by the articles of incorporation of the sur-30 viving corporation, or both, and (ii) the articles of incorporation of the 31 surviving corporation may be amended in the merger to reduce the num-32 ber of classes and shares of capital stock that the surviving corporation is authorized to issue; and (8) the stockholders of the constituent corpora-33 tion do not recognize gain or loss for United States federal income tax 34 35 purposes as determined by the board of directors of the constituent corporation. Neither subsection (g)(7)(i) nor any provision of a surviving 36 corporation's articles of incorporation required by subsection (g)(7)(i) 37 shall be deemed or construed to require approval of the stockholders of 38 the holding company to elect or remove directors of the surviving cor-39 poration. act and/or by the organizational documents of the surviving 4041 entity. For purposes of this clause, any surviving entity that is not a cor-42 poration shall include in such amendments a requirement that the approval of the stockholders of the holding company be obtained for any act 43

or transaction by or involving the surviving entity, other than the election 1 or removal of directors or managers, managing members or other mem-2 3 bers of the governing body of the surviving entity, which would require the approval of the stockholders of the surviving entity if the surviving 4 entity were a corporation subject to this act; (ii) any amendment of the 5organizational documents of a surviving entity that is not a corporation, 6 7 which amendment would, if adopted by a corporation subject to this act, be required to be included in the articles of incorporation of such cor-8 9 poration, shall, by specific reference to this subsection, require, in addi-10 tion, the approval of the stockholders of the holding company, or any 11 successor by merger, by the same vote as is required by this act or by the organizational documents of the surviving entity or both; (iii) the business 12 13 and affairs of a surviving entity that is not a corporation shall be managed 14by or under the direction of a board of directors, board of managers or 15other governing body consisting of individuals who are subject to the same fiduciary duties applicable to, and who are liable for breach of such duties 16 to the same extent as, directors of a corporation subject to this act; and 17(B) the organizational documents of the surviving entity may be 18

amended in the merger to reduce the number of classes and shares of capital stock or other equity interests or units that the surviving entity is authorized to issue.

Neither subsection (g)(7)(A) nor any provision of a surviving entity's organizational documents required by subsection (g)(7)(A) shall be deemed or construed to require approval of the stockholders of the holding company to elect or remove directors or managers, managing members or other members of the governing body of the surviving entity.

27 As used in this subsection only, the term "organizational documents," when used in reference to a corporation, means the articles of incorpo-2829 ration of such corporation and, when used in reference to a limited lia-30 bility company, means the articles of organization or operating agreement of such limited liability company; the term "holding company" means a 31 32 corporation which, from its incorporation until consummation of a merger 33 governed by this subsection, was at all times a direct or indirect whollyowned subsidiary of the constituent corporation and whose capital stock 34 35 is issued in such merger. From and after the effective time of a merger 36 adopted by a constituent corporation by action of its board of directors 37 and without any vote of stockholders pursuant to this subsection, if the corporate name of the holding company immediately following: (1) To 38 the extent the restriction of K.S.A. 17-12,100 et seq., and amendments 39 40 thereto, applied to the constituent corporation and its stockholders the effective time of the merger is the same as the corporate name of the 41 42 constituent corporation immediately prior to such restrictions shall apply to the holding company and its stockholders immediately after the effec-43

tive time of the merger, the as though it were the constituent corporation, 1 and all shares of capital stock of the holding company into which acquired 2 3 in the merger shall for the purposes of K.S.A. 17-12,100 et seq., and amendments thereto, be deemed to have been acquired at the time that 4 the shares of capital stock of the constituent corporation are converted in 5the merger shall be represented by the stock certificates that previously 6 represented shares of capital stock of the constituent corporation. were 7 acquired, and provided further that any stockholder who immediately 8 9 prior to the effective time of the merger was not an interested stockholder 10 within the meaning of K.S.A. 17-12,100 et seq., and amendments thereto, 11 shall not solely by reason of the merger become an interested stockholder of the holding company; and (2) if the corporate name of the holding 12 13 company immediately following the effective time of the merger is the 14same as the corporate name of the constituent corporation immediately 15prior to the effective time of the merger, the shares of capital stock of the 16 holding company into which the shares of capital stock of the constituent 17corporation are converted in the merger shall be represented by the stock 18 certificates that previously represented shares of capital stock of the con-19 stituent corporation and to the extent a stockholder of the constituent 20 corporation immediately prior to the merger had standing to institute or 21maintain derivative litigation on behalf of the constituent corporation, 22 nothing in this section shall be deemed to limit or extinguish such stand-23ing. If an agreement of merger is adopted by a constituent corporation 24by action of its board of directors and without any vote of stockholders 25pursuant to this subsection, the secretary or assistant secretary of the 26 constituent corporation shall certify on the agreement or a certificate of 27 merger that the agreement has been adopted pursuant to this subsection 28and that the conditions specified in the first sentence of this subsection 29 have been satisfied. The agreement or certificate of merger so adopted 30 and certified shall then be filed and become effective, in accordance with 31 K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto. Such filing shall constitute a 32 representation by the person who executes the agreement or certificate 33 of merger that the facts stated in the certificate remain true immediately 34 prior to such filing. 35

Sec. 47. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6702 is hereby amended to read as 36 follows: 17-6702. (a) Any one or more corporations of this state may 37 merge or consolidate with one or more other stock corporations of any 38 other state or states of the United States, or of the District of Columbia 39 if the laws of such other jurisdiction permit a corporation of such juris-40diction to merge or consolidate with a corporation of another jurisdiction. 41 The constituent corporations may merge into a single corporation, which 42 may be any one of the constituent corporations, or they may consolidate 43 into a new corporation formed by the consolidation, which may be a

corporation of the state of incorporation of any one of the constituent 1 corporations, pursuant to an agreement of merger or consolidation, as the 2 3 case may be, complying and approved in accordance with this section. In addition, any one or more corporations organized under the laws of any 4 jurisdiction other than one of the United States may merge or consolidate 56 with one or more corporations existing under the laws of this state, if the 7 surviving or resulting corporation will be a corporation of this state, and if the laws under which the other corporation or corporations are formed 8 9 permit a corporation of such jurisdiction to merge or consolidate with a 10 corporation of another jurisdiction.

11 (b) All the constituent corporations shall enter into an agreement of 12 merger or consolidation. The agreement shall state: (1) The terms and 13 conditions of the merger or consolidation; (2) the mode of carrying the 14same into effect; (3) the manner of converting the shares of each of the 15constituent corporations into shares or other securities of the corporation 16 surviving or resulting from the merger or consolidation and, if any shares 17of any of the constituent corporations are not to be converted solely into 18 shares or other securities of the surviving or resulting corporation, the 19 cash, property, rights or securities of any other corporation or entity which 20 the holders of such shares are to receive in exchange for, or upon con-21 version of, such shares and the surrender of the any certificates evidenc-22 ing certificated shares, which cash, property, rights or securities of any 23other corporation may be in addition to or in lieu of the shares or other 24securities of the surviving or resulting corporation; (4) such other details 25or provisions as are deemed desirable, including, without limiting the 26 generality of the foregoing, a provision for the payment of cash in lieu of 27 the issuance or recognition of fractional shares of the surviving or result-28ing corporation or of any other corporation the securities of which are to 29 be received in the merger or consolidation, or for some other arrange-30 ment with respect thereto consistent with the provisions of K.S.A. 17-31 6405, and amendments thereto; and (5) such other provisions or facts as 32 shall be required to be set forth in articles of incorporation by the laws 33 of the state which are stated in the agreement to be the laws that shall 34 govern the surviving or resulting corporation and that can be stated in 35 the case of a merger or consolidation. Any of the terms of the agreement 36 of merger or consolidation may be made dependent upon facts ascertain-37 able outside of such agreement, provided that the manner in which such facts shall operate upon the terms of the agreement is clearly and ex-38 pressly set forth in the agreement of merger or consolidation. The term 39 40"facts," as used in the preceding sentence, includes, but is not limited to, 41 the occurrence of any event, including a determination or action by any 42 person or body, including the corporation.

43 (c) The agreement shall be adopted, approved, certified and executed

by each of the constituent corporations in accordance with the laws under 1 2 which it is formed, and, in the case of a Kansas corporation, in the same 3 manner as provided in K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto. The agreement shall be filed and shall become effective for all purposes of 4 the laws of this state when and as provided in K.S.A. 17-6701, and amend-56 ments thereto, with respect to the merger or consolidation of corporations 7 of this state. In lieu of filing the agreement of merger or consolidation, the surviving or resulting corporation may file a certificate of merger or 8 9 consolidation, executed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amend-10 ments thereto, which states: (1) The name and state jurisdiction of in-11 corporation of each of the constituents; (2) that an agreement of merger 12 or consolidation has been approved, adopted, certified and executed by 13 each of the constituent corporations in accordance with this section; (3) 14the name of the surviving or resulting corporation; (4) in the case of a 15merger, such amendments or changes in the articles of incorporation of 16 the surviving corporation as are desired to be effected by the merger or, if no such amendments or changes are desired, a statement that the ar-1718 ticles of incorporation of the surviving corporation shall be its articles of 19 incorporation; (5) in the case of a consolidation, that the articles of in-20 corporation of the resulting corporation shall be as is set forth in an at-21tachment to the certificate; (6) that the executed agreement of consoli-22 dation or merger is on file at the principal place of business of the surviving or resulting corporation and the address thereof; (7) that a copy 23 24of the agreement of consolidation or merger will be furnished by the 25surviving or resulting corporation, on request and without cost, to any 26 stockholder of any constituent corporation; (8) if the corporation surviving 27 or resulting from the merger or consolidation is to be a corporation of 28this state, the authorized capital stock of each constituent corporation 29 which is not a corporation of this state; and (9) the agreement, if any, 30 required by subsection (d).

31 (d) If the corporation surviving or resulting from the merger or con-32 solidation is to be governed by the laws of the District of Columbia or 33 any state other than this state, it shall agree that it may be served with 34 process in this state in any proceeding for enforcement of any obligation 35 of any constituent corporation of this state, as well as for enforcement of 36 any obligation of the surviving or resulting corporation arising from the 37 merger or consolidation, including any suit or other proceeding to enforce 38 the right of any stockholder as determined in appraisal proceedings pur-39 suant to the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6712, and amendments thereto. Such 40corporation shall irrevocably appoint the secretary of state as its agent to accept service of process in any such suit or other proceedings and shall 4142 specify the address to which a copy of such process shall be mailed by the secretary of state. Service of such process shall be made by personally 43

delivering to and leaving with the secretary of state duplicate copies of
 such process. The secretary of state shall forthwith send by registered
 mail one of such copies to such surviving or resulting corporation at its
 address so specified, unless such surviving or resulting corporation shall
 thereafter have designated in writing to the secretary of state a different
 address for such purpose, in which case it shall be mailed to the last
 address so designated.

8 (e) The provisions of subsection (d) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amend-9 ments thereto, shall apply to any merger or consolidation under this sec-10 tion; the provisions of subsection (e) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments 11 thereto, shall apply to a merger under this section in which the surviving 12 corporation is a corporation of this state; the provisions of subsection (f) 13 of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, shall apply to any merger 14 under this section.

15Sec. 48. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6703 is hereby amended to read as 16 follows: 17-6703. (a) In any case in which at least 90% of the outstanding 17shares of each class of the stock of a corporation or corporations is owned by another corporation and one of such corporations is a corporation of 18 19 this state and the other or others are corporations of this state or of any 20other state or states or of the District of Columbia and the laws of such 21other state or states, or the District of Columbia permit a corporation of 22 such jurisdiction to merge with a corporation of another jurisdiction, the 23corporation having such stock ownership may either merge such other 24corporation or corporations into itself and assume all of its or their obli-25gations, or merge itself, or itself and one or more of such other corpo-26 rations, into one of such other corporations by executing and filing, in 27 accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto, a certificate 28of such ownership and merger setting forth a copy of the resolution of its 29 board of directors to so merge and the date of the adoption thereof, 30 except that in case the parent corporation shall not own all the outstanding 31 stock of all the subsidiary corporations, parties to a merger as provided 32 in this section, the resolution of the board of directors of the parent 33 corporation shall state the terms and conditions of the merger, including 34 the securities, cash, property or rights to be issued, paid, delivered or 35 granted by the surviving corporation upon surrender of each share of the 36 subsidiary corporation or corporations not owned by the parent corpo-37 ration. Any of the terms of the resolution of the board of directors to so 38 merge may be made dependent upon facts ascertainable outside of such resolution, provided that the manner in which such facts shall operate 39 40 upon the terms of the resolution is clearly and expressly set forth in the 41 resolution. The term "facts," as used in the preceding sentence, includes, 42 but is not limited to, the occurrence of any event, including a determination or action by any person or body, including the corporation. If the 43

parent corporation is not the surviving corporation, the resolution shall 1 include provision for the pro rata issuance of stock of the surviving cor-2 3 poration to the holders of the stock of the parent corporation on surrender of any certificates therefor, and the certificate of ownership and merger 4 shall state that the proposed merger has been approved by a majority of 56 the outstanding stock of the parent corporation entitled to vote thereon 7 at a meeting thereof duly called and held after 20 days' notice of the purpose of the meeting mailed to each such stockholder at the stock-8 9 holder's address as it appears on the records of the corporation, if the 10 parent corporation is a corporation of this state, or the certificate shall 11 state that the proposed merger has been adopted, approved, certified and executed by the parent corporation in accordance with the laws under 1213 which it is organized, if the parent corporation is not a corporation of this 14 state. If the surviving corporation exists under the laws of the District of 15Columbia or any state other than this state, the provisions of subsection 16 (d) of K.S.A. 17-6702, and amendments thereto, shall also apply to a 17merger under this section.

18 (b) If the surviving corporation is a Kansas corporation, it may change 19 its corporate name by the inclusion of a provision to that effect in the 20 resolution of merger adopted by the directors of the parent corporation 21 and set forth in the certificate of ownership and merger, and upon the 22 effective date of the merger, the name of the corporation shall be 23 changed.

24(c) The provisions of subsection (d) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amend-25ments thereto, shall apply to a merger under this section, and the pro-26 visions of subsection (e) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, shall 27 apply to a merger under this section in which the surviving corporation 28is the subsidiary corporation and is a corporation of this state. References 29 to "agreement of merger" in subsections (d) and (e) of K.S.A. 17-6701, 30 and amendments thereto, shall mean, for the purposes of this subsection 31 (c), the resolution of merger adopted by the board of directors of the 32 parent corporation. Any merger which effects any changes other than 33 those authorized by this section or made applicable by this subsection shall be accomplished under the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6701 or 17-6702, 34 35 and amendments thereto. The provisions of K.S.A. 17-6712, and amend-36 ments thereto, shall not apply to any merger effected under this section, except as provided in subsection (d). 37

(d) In the event all of the stock of a subsidiary Kansas corporation
party to a merger effected under this section is not owned by the parent
corporation immediately prior to the merger, the stockholders of the subsidiary Kansas corporation party to the merger shall have appraisal rights
as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6712, and amendments thereto.

43 (e) A merger may be effected under this section although one or

more of the corporations party to the merger is a corporation organized
 under the laws of a jurisdiction other than one of the United States, if:
 (1) The laws of such jurisdiction permit a corporation of such jurisdiction
 to merge with a corporation of another jurisdiction; and (2) the surviving
 corporation shall be a corporation of this state.

Sec. 49. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6704 is hereby amended to read as 6 7 follows: 17-6704. (a) The term "joint-stock association," as used in this section, includes any association of the kind commonly known as joint-8 9 stock association or joint-stock company and any unincorporated associ-10 ation, trust or enterprise having members or having outstanding shares of 11 stock or other evidences of financial or beneficial interest therein, whether formed by agreement or under statutory authority or otherwise, 12 13 but does not include a corporation, partnership or limited liability company. The term "stockholder," as used in this section, includes every 14 15member of such joint-stock association or holder of a share of stock or other evidence of financial or beneficial interest therein. 16

17(b) Any one or more corporations of this state may merge or consol-18 idate with one or more joint-stock associations, except a joint-stock as-19 sociation formed under the laws of a state which forbids such merger or 20 consolidation. Such corporation or corporations and such one or more 21joint-stock associations may merge into a single corporation or joint-stock 22 association, which may be any one of such corporations or joint-stock 23 associations of this state or they may consolidate into a new corporation 24or joint-stock association of this state, pursuant to an agreement of merger 25or consolidation, as the case may be, complying and approved in accord-26 ance with this section. The surviving or resulting entity may be organized 27 for profit or not organized for profit and, if the surviving or resulting 28entity is a corporation, it may be a stock corporation or a nonstock 29 corporation.

30 (c) Each such corporation and joint-stock association shall enter into a written agreement of merger or consolidation. The agreement shall 31 32 state: (1) The terms and conditions of the merger or consolidation; (2) 33 the mode of carrying the same into effect; (3) the manner of converting the shares of stock of each stock corporation, the interests of members 34 35 of each nonstock corporation, and the shares, memberships or financial 36 or beneficial interests in each of the joint-stock associations into shares 37 or other securities of a stock corporation or membership interests of a 38 nonstock corporation or into shares, memberships, or financial or bene-39 ficial interests of the joint-stock association surviving or resulting from 40such merger or consolidation, and, if any shares of any such stock cor-41 poration, any membership interests of any such nonstock corporation, or 42 any shares, memberships or financial or beneficial interests in any such joint-stock association are not to be converted solely into shares or other 43

1 securities of the stock corporation or membership interest of the nonstock 2 corporation or into shares, memberships, or financial or beneficial inter-3 ests of the joint-stock association surviving or resulting from such merger or consolidation, the cash, property, rights or securities of any other cor-4 poration or entity which the holders of shares of any such stock corpo-56 ration, membership interests of any such nonstock corporation, or shares, 7 memberships or financial or beneficial interests of any such joint-stock association are to receive in exchange for, or upon conversion of such 8 9 shares, membership interest or shares, memberships or financial or ben-10 eficial interests, and the surrender of any certificates evidencing them, 11 which cash, property, rights or securities of any other corporation or entity 12 may be in addition to or in lieu of shares or other securities of the stock 13 corporation or membership interests of the nonstock corporation or 14shares, memberships, or financial or beneficial interests of the joint-stock 15association surviving or resulting from such merger or consolidation; and 16 (4) such other details or provisions as are deemed desirable, including, 17without limiting the generality of the foregoing, a provision for the pay-18 ment of cash in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares where the surviv-19 ing or resulting entity is a corporation. There shall also be set forth in the 20 agreement such other matters or provisions as shall then be required to 21 be set forth in articles of incorporation by the laws of this state and that 22 can be stated in the case of such merger or consolidation. Any of the 23 terms of the agreement of merger or consolidation may be made de-24pendent upon facts ascertainable outside of such agreement, provided 25that the manner in which such facts shall operate upon the terms of the 26 agreement is clearly and expressly set forth in the agreement of merger or consolidation. The term "facts," as used in the preceding sentence, 27 includes, but is not limited to, the occurrence of any event, including a 2829 determination or action by any person or body, including the corporation. 30 (d) The agreement required by subsection (c) of this section shall be 31 adopted, approved and executed by each of the corporations in the same 32 manner as is provided in K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, and 33 in the case of the joint-stock associations in accordance with their articles 34 of association or other instrument containing the provisions by which they 35 are organized or regulated or in accordance with the laws of the state 36 under which they are formed, as the case may be. Where the surviving 37 or resulting entity is a corporation, the agreement shall be filed and shall become effective for all purposes of the laws of this state when and as 38 provided in K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, with respect to the 39 40merger or consolidation of corporations of this state. In lieu of filing the 41 agreement of merger or consolidation, where the surviving or resulting 42 entity is a corporation, it may file a certificate of merger or consolidation,

43 executed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto,

which states: 1

> The name and state of domicile of each of the constituent entities; (1)

3 that an agreement of merger or consolidation has been approved, (2)adopted, certified and executed by each of the constituent entities in 4  $\mathbf{5}$ accordance with this subsection;

the name of the surviving or resulting corporation; (3)

7 (4) in the case of a merger, such amendments or changes in the articles of incorporation of the surviving corporation as are desired to be 8 9 effected by the merger or, if no such amendments or changes are desired, 10 a statement that the articles of incorporation of the surviving corporation 11 shall be its articles of incorporation;

12 (5) in the case of a consolidation, that the articles of incorporation of 13 the resulting corporation shall be as is set forth in an attachment to the 14certificate;

(6) that the executed agreement of consolidation or merger is on file 1516 at the principal place of business of the surviving corporation and the 17address thereof; and

that a copy of the agreement of consolidation or merger will be 18 (7)19 furnished by the surviving corporation, on request and without cost, to 20 any stockholder of any constituent entity.

21 Where the surviving or resulting entity is a joint-stock association, the 22 agreement shall be filed and shall be effective for all purposes when filed 23 in accordance with the laws regulating the creation of joint-stock 24associations.

25The provisions of subsections (d) and (e) of K.S.A. 17-6701, 17-(e) 26 6709 through 17-6712, and 17-7103, and amendments thereto, shall apply, insofar as they are applicable, to mergers or consolidations between 27corporations and joint-stock associations; and the word "corporation" 2829 where applicable, as used in those sections, shall be deemed to include 30 joint-stock associations as defined in this section. The second sentence of 31 subsection (c) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, shall be ap-32 plicable to any merger or consolidation under this section. Where the 33 surviving or resulting entity is a corporation, the personal liability, if any, 34 of any stockholder of a joint-stock association existing at the time of such 35 merger or consolidation shall not be extinguished by such merger or con-36 solidation, shall remain personal to such stockholder and shall not become the liability of any subsequent transferee of any share of stock in such 37 38 surviving or resulting corporation or of any other stockholder of such

39 surviving or resulting corporation.

(f) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to authorize the merger 40

41 of a charitable nonstock corporation or charitable joint-stock association

42 into a stock corporation or joint-stock association, if the charitable status

of such nonstock corporation or joint-stock association would thereby be 43

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lost or impaired, but a stock corporation or joint-stock association may be
 merged into a charitable nonstock corporation or charitable joint-stock
 association which shall continue as the surviving corporation or joint-stock
 association.

5 (g) A merger of *an* armed forces cooperative insuring association into 6 *an* armed forces insurance exchange, with *the* armed forces insurance 7 exchange being the survivor in such merger, shall be a valid merger under 8 the general corporation code of the state of Kansas upon a filing of the 9 merger agreement with the secretary of state.

10 Sec. 50. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6705 is hereby amended to read as 11 follows: 17-6705. (a) Any two or more nonstock corporations of this state, 12 whether or not organized for profit, may merge into a single corporation, 13 which may be any one of the constituent corporations, or they may con-14 solidate into a new nonstock, nonprofit corporation, whether or not or-15ganized for profit, formed by the consolidation, pursuant to an agreement 16 of merger or consolidation, as the case may be, complying and approved 17in accordance with this section.

18 The governing body of each corporation which desires to merge (b) 19 or consolidate shall adopt a resolution approving an agreement of merger 20 or consolidation. The agreement shall state: (1) The terms and conditions 21 of the merger or consolidation; (2) the mode of carrying the same into 22 effect; (3) such other provisions or facts required or permitted by this act 23to be stated in articles of incorporation for nonstock, nonprofit corpora-24tions as can be stated in the case of a merger or consolidation, stated in 25such altered form as the circumstances of the case require; (4) the manner 26 of converting the memberships of each of the constituent corporations 27 into memberships of the corporation surviving or resulting from the 28merger or consolidation; and (5) such other details or provisions as are 29 deemed desirable. Any of the terms of the agreement of merger or con-30 solidation may be made dependent upon facts ascertainable outside of 31 such agreement, provided that the manner in which such facts shall op-32 erate upon the terms of the agreement is clearly and expressly set forth 33 in the agreement of merger or consolidation. The term "facts," as used 34 in the preceding sentence, includes, but is not limited to, the occurrence 35 of any event, including a determination or action by any person or body, 36 including the corporation.

(c) The agreement shall be submitted to the members of each constituent corporation who have the right to vote for the election of the members of the governing body of their corporation, at an annual or special meeting thereof for the purpose of acting on the agreement. Due notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting shall be mailed to each member of each such corporation who has the right to vote for the election of the members of the governing body of such corporation, at

the member's address as it appears on the records of the corporation, at 1 least 20 days prior to the date of the meeting. The notice shall contain a 2 3 copy of the agreement or a brief summary thereof, as the governing body shall deem advisable. At the meeting the agreement shall be considered 4 and a vote by ballot, in person or by proxy, taken for the adoption or 56 rejection of the agreement, each member who has the right to vote for 7 the election of the members of the governing body of his such member's corporation being entitled to one vote. If the votes of 3/3 of the total 8 9 number a majority of the voting power of members of each such corpo-10 ration who have the voting power above mentioned shall be for the adop-11 tion of the agreement or, in the case of a nonstock, nonprofit insurance 12 corporation, other than a nonprofit dental service corporation organized 13 and operated under the nonprofit dental service corporation act, cited at 14 K.S.A. 40-19a01 et seq., and amendments thereto, if 2/3 a majority of the 15total number of members voting at an annual or special meeting for the 16 purpose of acting on the agreement vote for the adoption of the agree-17ment, then that fact shall be certified on the agreement by the officer of 18 each such corporation performing the duties ordinarily performed by the 19 secretary or assistant secretary of a corporation, under the seal of each 20 such corporation. The agreement so adopted and certified shall be exe-21cuted and filed, and shall become effective, in accordance with K.S.A. 22 17-6003, and amendments thereto. The provisions set forth in the last sentence of subsection (c) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, 23 24shall apply to a merger under this section, and the reference to "stock-25holder" shall be deemed to include "member" hereunder.

26 (d) If, under the provisions of the articles of incorporation of any one 27 or more of the constituent corporations, there shall be no members who 28have the right to vote for the election of the members of the governing 29 body of the corporation other than the members of that body themselves, 30 the agreement duly entered into as provided in subsection (b) shall be 31 submitted to the members of the governing body of such corporation or 32 corporations, at a meeting of such corporation or corporations. Notice of 33 the meeting shall be mailed to the members of the governing body in the same manner as is provided in the case of a meeting of the members of 34 35 a corporation. If at the meeting 3/3 of the total number of members of 36 the governing body shall vote by ballot, in person, for the adoption of the 37 agreement, that fact shall be certified on the agreement in the same 38 manner as is provided in the case of the adoption of the agreement by the vote of the members of a corporation. The same procedure shall be 39 40followed to consummate the merger or consolidation.

41 (e) The provisions of subsection (e) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amend-42 ments thereto, shall apply to a merger under this section.

43 (f) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to authorize the merger

of a charitable nonstock corporation into a nonstock corporation if such
 charitable nonstock corporation would thereby have its charitable status
 lost or impaired, but a nonstock corporation may be merged into a char itable nonstock corporation which shall continue as the surviving
 corporation.

6 Sec. 51. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6706 is hereby amended to read as 7 follows: 17-6706. (a) Any one or more nonstock corporations of this state may merge or consolidate with one or more other nonstock corporations 8 9 of any other state or states of the United States or of the District of 10 Columbia, if the laws of such other jurisdiction permit a corporation of 11 such jurisdiction to merge with a corporation of another jurisdiction. The 12 constituent corporations may merge into a single corporation, which may 13 be any one of the constituent corporations, or they may consolidate into 14a new nonstock corporation formed by the consolidation, which may be 15a corporation of the state of incorporation of any one of the constituent 16 corporations, pursuant to an agreement of merger or consolidation, as the 17case may be, complying and approved in accordance with this section. In 18 addition, any one or more nonstock corporations organized under the laws 19 of any jurisdiction other than one of the United States may merge or 20 consolidate with one or more nonstock corporations of this state if the 21 surviving or resulting corporation will be a corporation of this state, and 22 if the laws under which the other corporation or corporations are formed 23 permit a corporation of such jurisdiction to merge with a corporation of 24another jurisdiction.

25(b) All the constituent corporations shall enter into an agreement of 26 merger or consolidation. The agreement shall state: (1) The terms and 27 conditions of the merger or consolidation; (2) the mode of carrying the 28same into effect; (3) the manner of converting the memberships of each 29 of the constituent corporations into memberships of the corporation sur-30 viving or resulting from such merger or consolidation; (4) such other details and provisions as shall be deemed desirable; and (5) such other 31 32 provisions or facts as shall then be required to be stated in articles of 33 incorporation by the laws of the state which are stated in the agreement 34 to be the laws that shall govern the surviving or resulting corporation and 35 that can be stated in the case of a merger or consolidation. Any of the 36 terms of the agreement of merger or consolidation may be made de-37 pendent upon facts ascertainable outside of such agreement, if the man-38 ner in which such facts shall operate upon the terms of the agreement is clearly and expressly set forth in the agreement of merger or consolida-39 40 tion. The term "facts," as used in the preceding sentence, includes, but is 41 not limited to, the occurrence of any event, including a determination or 42 action by any person or body, including the corporation.

43 (c) The agreement shall be adopted, approved and executed by each

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of the constituent corporations in accordance with the laws under which 1 it is formed and, in the case of a Kansas corporation, in the same manner 2 3 as is provided in K.S.A. 17-6705, and amendments thereto. The agreement shall be filed and shall become effective for all purposes of the laws 4 of this state when and as provided in K.S.A. 17-6705, and amendments 56 thereto, with respect to the merger of nonstock corporations of this state. Insofar as they may be applicable, the provisions set forth in the last 7 sentence of subsection (c) of K.S.A. 17-6702, and amendments thereto, 8 9 shall apply to a merger under this section, and the reference to "stock-10 holder" shall be deemed to include "member" hereunder.

11 (d) If the corporation surviving or resulting from the merger or con-12 solidation is to be governed by the laws of any state other than this state, 13 it shall agree that it may be served with process in this state in any pro-14 ceeding for enforcement of any obligation of any constituent corporation 15of this state, as well as for enforcement of any obligation of the surviving 16 or resulting corporation arising from the merger or consolidation, and 17shall irrevocably appoint the secretary of state as its agent to accept service 18 of process in any such suit or other proceedings and shall specify the 19 address to which a copy of such process shall be mailed by the secretary 20 of state. Service of such process shall be made by personally delivering 21to and leaving with the secretary of state duplicate copies of such process. 22 The secretary of state shall forthwith send by registered mail one of such 23copies to such surviving or resulting corporation at its address specified, 24unless such surviving or resulting corporation shall thereafter have des-25ignated in writing to the secretary of state a different address for such 26 purpose, in which case it shall be mailed to the last address so designated.

(e) The provisions of subsection (e) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, shall apply to a merger under this section, if the corporation surviving the merger is a corporation of this state.

30 Sec. 52. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6707 is hereby amended to read as 31 follows: 17-6707. (a) Any one or more nonstock corporations of this state, 32 whether or not organized for profit, may merge or consolidate with one 33 or more stock corporations of this state, whether or not organized for 34 profit. The constituent corporations may merge into a single corporation, 35 which may be any one of the constituent corporations, or they may con-36 solidate into a new corporation formed by the consolidation, pursuant to an agreement of merger or consolidation, as the case may be, complying 37 38 and approved in accordance with this section. The surviving constituent 39 corporation or the new corporation may be organized for profit or not 40organized for profit and may be a stock corporation or a nonstock 41 corporation.

42 (b) The board of directors of each stock corporation which desires to 43 merge or consolidate and the governing body of each nonstock corpora-

1 tion which desires to merge or consolidate shall adopt a resolution ap-2 proving an agreement of merger or consolidation. The agreement shall 3 state: (1) The terms and conditions of the merger or consolidation; (2)the mode of carrying the same into effect; (3) such other provisions or 4 facts required or permitted by this act to be stated in articles of incor-5poration as can be stated in the case of a merger or consolidation, stated 6 7 in such altered form as the circumstances of the case require; (4) the manner of converting the shares of stock of a stock corporation and the 8 9 interests of the members of a nonstock corporation into shares or other 10 securities of a stock corporation or membership interests of a nonstock 11 corporation surviving or resulting from such merger or consolidation, and, 12 if any shares of any such stock corporation or membership interests of 13 any such nonstock corporation are not to be converted solely into shares 14or other securities of the stock corporation or membership interests of 15the nonstock corporation surviving or resulting from such merger or con-16 solidation, the cash, property, rights or securities of any other corporation 17or entity which the holders of shares of any such stock corporation or 18 membership interests of any such nonstock corporation are to receive in 19 exchange for, or upon conversion of such shares or membership interests, 20 and the surrender of any certificates evidencing them, which cash, prop-21erty, rights, or securities of any other corporation or entity may be in 22 addition to or in lieu of shares or other securities of any stock corporation 23 or membership interests of any nonstock corporation surviving or result-24ing from such merger or consolidation; and (5) such other details or pro-25visions as are deemed desirable. In such merger or consolidation, the 26 interests of members of a constituent nonstock corporation may be 27 treated in various ways so as to convert such interests into interests of value, other than shares of stock, in the surviving or resulting stock cor-2829 poration or into shares of stock in the surviving or resulting stock cor-30 poration, voting or nonvoting, or into creditor interests or any other in-31 terests of value equivalent to their membership interests in their nonstock 32 corporation. The voting rights of members of a constituent nonstock cor-33 poration need not be considered an element of value in measuring the reasonable equivalence of the value of the interests received in the sur-34 35 viving or resulting stock corporation by members of a constituent non-36 stock corporation, nor need the voting rights of shares of stock in a con-37 stituent stock corporation be considered as an element of value in 38 measuring the reasonable equivalence of the value of the interests in the 39 surviving or resulting nonstock corporation received by stockholders of a 40constituent stock corporation, and the voting or nonvoting shares of a 41 stock corporation may be converted into voting or nonvoting regular, life, 42 general, special or other type of membership, however designated, cred-43 itor interests or participating interests, in any nonstock corporation sur-

viving or resulting from such merger or consolidation of a stock corpo-1 2 ration and a nonstock corporation. Any of the terms of the agreement of 3 merger or consolidation may be made dependent upon facts ascertainable outside of such agreement, provided that the manner in which such facts 4 shall operate upon the terms of the agreement is clearly and expressly set 5forth in the agreement of merger or consolidation. The term "facts," as 6 7 used in the preceding sentence, includes, but is not limited to, the occurrence of any event, including a determination or action by any person or 8 9 body, including the corporation.

10 (c) The agreement required by subsection (b), in the case of each 11 constituent stock corporation, shall be adopted, approved and executed 12 by each constituent corporation in the same manner as is provided in 13 K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, and, in the case of each con-14stituent nonstock corporation, shall be adopted, approved and executed 15by each of such constituent corporations in the same manner as is pro-16 vided in K.S.A. 17-6705, and amendments thereto. The agreement shall 17be filed and shall become effective for all purposes of the laws of this 18 state when and as provided in K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, 19 with respect to the merger of stock corporations of this state. Insofar as 20 they may be applicable, the provisions set forth in the last sentence of 21 subsection (c) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, shall apply to 22 a merger under this section, and the reference to "stockholder" shall be deemed to include "member" hereunder. 23

24(d) The provisions of subsection (e) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amend-25ments thereto, shall apply to a merger under this section, if the surviving 26 corporation is a corporation of this state; the provisions of subsection (d) 27 of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, shall apply to any constituent 28stock corporation participating in a merger or consolidation under this 29 section; and the provisions of subsection (f) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and 30 amendments thereto, shall apply to any constituent stock corporation par-31 ticipating in a merger under this section.

(e) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to authorize the merger
of a charitable nonstock corporation into a stock corporation, if the charitable status of such nonstock corporation would thereby be lost or impaired. A stock corporation may be merged into a charitable nonstock
corporation which shall continue as the surviving corporation.

Sec. 53. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6712 is hereby amended to read as
follows: 17-6712. (a) When used in this section, the word "stockholder"
means a holder of record of stock in a stock corporation and also a member of record of a nonstock corporation; the words "stock" and "share"
mean and include what is ordinarily meant by those words and also membership or membership interest of a member of a nonstock corporation.
(b) The corporation surviving or resulting from any merger or con-

solidation, within 10 days after the effective date of the merger or con-1 2 solidation, shall notify each stockholder of any corporation of this state so 3 merging or consolidating who objected thereto in writing and whose 4 shares either were not entitled to vote or were not voted in favor of the  $\mathbf{5}$ merger or consolidation, and who filed such written objection with the 6 corporation before the taking of the vote on the merger or consolidation, 7 that the merger or consolidation has become effective. If any such stock-8 holder, within 20 days after the date of mailing of the notice, shall demand 9 in writing, from the corporation surviving or resulting from the merger 10 or consolidation, payment of the value of the stockholder's stock, the 11 surviving or resulting corporation shall pay to the stockholder, within 30 days after the expiration of the period of 20 days, the value of the stock-12 13 holder's stock on the effective date of the merger or consolidation, exclu-14 sive of any element of value arising from the expectation or accomplish-15ment of the merger or consolidation. (e) If during a period of 30 days following the period of 20 days 16 17provided for in subsection (b), the corporation and any such stockholder 18 fail to agree upon the value of such stock, any such stockholder, or the 19 corporation surviving or resulting from the merger or consolidation, may 20 demand a determination of the value of the stock of all such stockholders 21by an appraiser or appraisers to be appointed by the district court, by 22 filing a petition with the court within four months after the expiration of 23the thirty-day period. 24- (d) Upon the filing of any such petition by a stockholder, service of 25a copy thereof shall be made upon the corporation, which shall file with 26 the elerk of such court, within 10 days after such service, a duly verified 27 list containing the names and addresses of all stockholders who have de-28manded payment for their shares and with whom agreements as to the 29 value of their shares have not been reached by the corporation. If the 30 petition shall be filed by the corporation, the petition shall be accompanied by such duly verified list. The clerk of the court shall give notice of 31 32 the time and place fixed for the hearing of such petition by registered or 33 certified mail to the corporation and to the stockholders shown upon the list at the addresses therein stated and notice shall also be given by pub-34 35 lishing a notice at least once, at least one week before the day of the 36 hearing, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the 37 court is located. The court may direct such additional publication of notice as it deems advisable. The forms of the notices by mail and by publication 38 39 shall be approved by the court. 40 (e) After the hearing on such petition the court shall determine the

- 41 stockholders who have complied with the provisions of this section and
- 42 become entitled to the valuation of and payment for their shares, and
- 43 shall appoint an appraiser or appraisers to determine such value. Any such

appraiser may examine any of the books and records of the corporation 1 or corporations the stock of which such appraiser is charged with the duty 2 3 of valuing, and such appraiser shall make a determination of the value of 4 the shares upon such investigation as seems proper to the appraiser. The appraiser or appraisers shall also afford a reasonable opportunity to the 56 parties interested to submit to the appraiser or appraisers pertinent evi-7 dence on the value of the shares. The appraiser or appraisers, also, shall have the powers and authority conferred upon masters by K.S.A. 60-253 8 9 and amendments thereto.

(f) The appraiser or appraisers shall determine the value of the stock 10 11 of the stockholders adjudged by the court to be entitled to payment therefor and shall file a report respecting such value in the office of the elerk 12 13 of the court, and notice of the filing of such report shall be given by the 14 elerk of the court to the parties in interest. Such report shall be subject 15to exceptions to be heard before the court both upon the law and facts. The court by its decree shall determine the value of the stock of the 16 17stockholders entitled to payment therefor and shall direct the payment 18 of such value, together with interest, if any, as hereinafter provided, to 19 the stockholders entitled thereto by the surviving or resulting corporation. 20 Upon payment of the judgment by the surviving or resulting corporation, 21the elerk of the district court shall surrender to the corporation the cer-22 tificates of shares of stock held by the elerk pursuant to subsection (g). The decree may be enforced as other judgments of the district court may 2324 be enforced, whether such surviving or resulting corporation be a cor-25poration of this state or of any other state.

(g) At the time of appointing the appraiser or appraisers, the court
 shall require the stockholders who hold certificated shares and who de manded payment for their shares to submit their certificates of stock to
 the clerk of the court, to be held by the clerk pending the appraisal
 proceedings. If any stockholder fails to comply with such direction, the
 court shall dismiss the proceedings as to such stockholder.

32 (h) The cost of any such appraisal, including a reasonable fee to and 33 the reasonable expenses of the appraiser, but exclusive of fees of counsel or of experts retained by any party, shall be determined by the court and 34 35 taxed upon the parties to such appraisal or any of them as appears to be equitable, except that the cost of giving the notice by publication and by 36 registered or certified mail hereinabove provided for shall be paid by the 37 38 corporation. The court, on application of any party in interest, shall de-39 termine the amount of interest, if any, to be paid upon the value of the 40stock of the stockholders entitled thereto. 41 (i) Any stockholder who has demanded payment of the stockholder's

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42 stock as herein provided shall not thereafter be entitled to vote such stock

43 for any purpose or be entitled to the payment of dividends or other dis-

1 tribution on the stock, except dividends or other distributions payable to 2 stockholders of record at a date which is prior to the effective date of the 3 merger or consolidation, unless the appointment of an appraiser or appraisers shall not be applied for within the time herein provided, or the 4 proceeding be dismissed as to such stockholder, or unless such stock-56 holder with the written approval of the corporation shall deliver to the 7 corporation a written withdrawal of the stockholder's objections to and an acceptance of the merger or consolidation, in any of which cases the 8 right of such stockholder to payment for the stockholder's stock shall 9 10 ecase. The shares of the surviving or resulting corporation into which the 11 -(i) shares of such objecting stockholders would have been converted had 12 they assented to the merger or consolidation shall have the status of au-13 thorized and unissued shares of the surviving or resulting corporation. 14 15- (k) This section shall not apply to the shares of any class or series of a class of stock, which, at the record date fixed to determine the stock-16 holders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the meeting of stock-17holders at which the agreement of merger or consolidation is to be acted 1819on, were either (1) registered on a national securities exchange or des-20ignated as a national market system security on an interdealer quotation 21system by the national association of securities dealers, inc., or (2) held of record by not less than 2,000 stockholders, unless the articles of in-22 corporation of the corporation issuing such stock shall otherwise provide; 23 nor shall this section apply to any of the shares of stock of the constituent 2425corporation surviving a merger, if the merger did not require for its ap-26 proval the vote of the stockholders of the surviving corporation, as pro-27 vided in subsection (f) of K.S.A. 17-6701 and amendments thereto. This subsection shall not be applicable to the holders of a class or series of a 2829 elass of stock of a constituent corporation if under the terms of a merger 30 of consolidation pursuant to K.S.A. 17-6701 or 17-6702, and amendments 31 thereto, such holders are required to accept for such stock anything ex-32 cept (i) stock or stock and eash in lieu of fractional shares of the corpo-33 ration surviving or resulting from such merger or consolidation, or (ii) stock or stock and eash in lieu of fractional shares of any other corporation, 34 35 which at the record date fixed to determine the stockholders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the meeting of stockholders at which the 36 agreement of merger or consolidation is to be acted on, were either reg-37 istered on a national securities exchange or held of record by not less 38 than 2,000 stockholders, or (iii) a combination of stock or stock and eash 39 40in lieu of fractional shares as set forth in (i) and (ii) of this subsection.

41 (b) Appraisal rights shall be available for the shares of any class or 42 series of stock of a constituent corporation in a merger or consolidation 43 to be effected pursuant to K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto, (other than a merger effected pursuant to subsection (g) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and
 amendments thereto,) K.S.A. 17-6702, 17-6704, 17-6707, 17-6708 or 17 7703, and amendments thereto:

(1)Provided, however, that no appraisal rights under this section 4  $\mathbf{5}$ shall be available for the shares of any class or series of stock, which stock, or depository receipts in respect thereof, at the record date fixed to de-6 termine the stockholders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the 7 meeting of stockholders to act upon the agreement of merger or consoli-8 9 dation, were either (A) listed on a national securities exchange or desig-10 nated as a national market system security on an interdealer quotation 11 system by the national association of securities dealers, inc., or (B) held of record by more than 2,000 holders; and further provided that no ap-12 praisal rights shall be available for any shares of stock of the constituent 13 corporation surviving a merger if the merger did not require for its ap-14 15proval the vote of the stockholders of the surviving corporation as provided in subsection (f) of K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto. 16

17 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), appraisal rights under this sec18 tion shall be available for the shares of any class or series of stock of a
19 constituent corporation if the holders thereof are required by the terms
20 of an agreement of merger or consolidation pursuant to K.S.A. 17-6701,
21 17-6702, 17-6704, 17-6707, 17-6708 and 17-7703, and amendments
22 thereto, to accept for such stock anything except:

(A) Shares of stock of the corporation surviving or resulting from such
 merger or consolidation, or depository receipts in respect thereof;

(B) shares of stock of any other corporation, or depository receipts in respect thereof, which shares of stock, or depository receipts in respect thereof, or depository receipts at the effective date of the merger or consolidation will be either listed on a national securities exchange or designated as a national market system security on an interdealer quotation system by the national association of securities dealers, inc. or held of record by more than 2,000 holders;

32 (C) cash in lieu of fractional shares or fractional depository receipts 33 described in the foregoing subparagraphs (A) and (B); or

(D) any combination of the shares of stock, depository receipts and
cash in lieu of fractional shares or fractional depository receipts described
in the foregoing subparagraphs (A), (B) and (C).

37 (3) In the event all of the stock of a subsidiary Kansas corporation 38 party to a merger effected under K.S.A. 17-6703, and amendments

39 thereto, is not owned by the parent corporation immediately prior to the

40 merger, appraisal rights shall be available for the shares of the subsidiary

41 Kansas corporation.

42 (c) Any corporation may provide in its certificate of incorporation 43 that appraisal rights under this section shall be available for the shares HB 3022

of any class or series of its stock as a result of an amendments to its 1 certificate of incorporation, any merger or consolidation in which the 2 corporation is a constituent corporation or the sale of all or substantially 3 all of the assets of the corporation. If the certificate of incorporation con-4 tains such a provision, the procedures of this section, including those set 5forth in subsections (d) and (e), shall apply as nearly as is practicable. 6 7

Appraisal rights shall be perfected as follows: (d)

(1) If a proposed merger or consolidation for which appraisal rights 8 9 are provided under this section is to be submitted for approval at a meeting of stockholders, the corporation, not less than 20 days prior to the 10 meeting, shall notify each of its stockholders who was such on the record 11 date for such meeting with respect to shares for which appraisal rights 12 are available pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) that appraisal rights are 13 available for any or all of the shares of the constituent corporations, and 14 15shall include in such notice a copy of this section. Each stockholder electing to demand the appraisal of such stockholder's shares shall deliver to 16 the corporation, before the taking of the vote on the merger or consoli-17dation, a written demand for appraisal of such stockholder's shares. Such 18 demand will be sufficient if it reasonably informs the corporation of the 19 20 identity of the stockholder and that the stockholder intends thereby to 21demand the appraisal of such stockholder's shares. A proxy or vote against the merger or consolidation shall not constitute such a demand. A stock-22 holder electing to take such action must do so by a separate written de-23 mand as herein provided. Within 10 days after the effective date of such 2425merger or consolidation, the surviving or resulting corporation shall notify 26 each stockholder of each constituent corporation who has complied with 27 this subsection and has not voted in favor of or consented to the merger or consolidation of the date that the merger or consolidation has become 2829 effective: or

30 (2) If the merger or consolidation was approved pursuant to K.S.A. 31 17-6518 or K.S.A. 17-6703, and amendments thereto, then, either a con-32 stituent corporation before the effective date of the merger or consolidation, or the surviving or resulting corporation within 10 days thereafter, 33 shall notify each of the holders of any class or series of stock of such 34 35 constituent corporation who are entitled to appraisal rights of the approval of the merger or consolidation and that appraisal rights are avail-36 37 able for any or all shares of such class or series of stock of such constituent corporation, and shall include in such notice a copy of this section. Such 38 notice may, and, if given on or after the effective date of the merger or 39 consolidation, shall, also notify such stockholders of the effective date of 40the merger or consolidation. Any stockholder entitled to appraisal rights 41 42 may, within 20 days after the date of mailing of such notice, demand in writing from the surviving or resulting corporation the appraisal of such 43

holder's shares. Such demand will be sufficient if it reasonably informs 1 the corporation of the identity of the stockholder and that the stockholder 2 intends thereby to demand the appraisal of such holder's shares. If such 3 notice did not notify stockholders of the effective date of the merger or 4 consolidation, either: (A) each such constituent corporation shall send a 5second notice before the effective date of the merger or consolidation no-6 tifying each of the holders of any class or series of stock of such constituent 7 corporation that are entitled to appraisal rights of the effective date of the 8 merger or consolidation; or (B) the surviving or resulting corporation shall 9 send such a second notice to all such holders on or within 10 days after 10 such effective date; provided, however, that if such second notice is sent 11 more than 20 days following the sending of the first notice, such second 12 notice need only be sent to each stockholder who is entitled to appraisal 13 rights and who has demanded appraisal of such holder's shares in ac-14 15cordance with this subsection. An affidavit of the secretary or assistant secretary or of the transfer agent of the corporation that is required to 16 give either notice that such notice has been given shall, in the absence of 17fraud, be prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein. For purposes of 18 determining the stockholders entitled to receive either notice, each con-19 20 stituent corporation may fix, in advance, a record date that shall be not 21 more than 10 days prior to the date the notice is given, provided, that if the notice is given on or after the effective date of the merger or consoli-22 dation, the record date shall be such effective date. If no record date is 23 fixed and the notice is given prior to the effective date, the record date 2425shall be the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which 26 the notice is given.

27 (e) Within 120 days after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, the surviving or resulting corporation or any stockholder who has 28complied with subsections (a) and (d) and who is otherwise entitled to 29 30 appraisal rights, may file a petition in the district court demanding a determination of the value of the stock of all such stockholders. Notwith-31 standing the foregoing, at any time within 60 days after the effective date 32 of the merger or consolidation, any stockholder shall have the right to 33 withdraw such stockholder's demand for appraisal and to accept the terms 34 35 offered upon the merger or consolidation. Within 120 days after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, any stockholder who has com-36 37 plied with the requirements of subsection (a) and (d), upon written request, shall be entitled to receive from the corporation surviving the 38 merger or resulting from the consolidation a statement setting forth the 39 40aggregate number of shares not voted in favor of the merger or consolidation and with respect to which demands for appraisal have been re-41 ceived and the aggregate number of holders of such shares. Such written 42 statement shall be mailed to the stockholder within 10 days after such 43

stockholder's written request for such a statement is received by the sur viving or resulting corporation or within 10 days after expiration of the
 period for delivery of demands for appraisal under subsection (d), which ever is later.

(f) Upon the filing of any such petition by a stockholder, service of a 5copy thereof shall be made upon the surviving or resulting corporation, 6 which shall within 20 days after such service file in the office of the clerk 7 of the court in which the petition was filed a duly verified list containing 8 the names and addresses of all stockholders who have demanded payment 9 10 for their shares and with whom agreements as to the value of their shares have not been reached by the surviving or resulting corporation. If the 11 petition shall be filed by the surviving or resulting corporation, the peti-12 tion shall be accompanied by such a duly verified list. The clerk of the 13 court, if so ordered by the court, shall give notice of the time and place 14 15fixed for the hearing of such petition by registered or certified mail to the surviving or resulting corporation and to the stockholders shown on the 16 list at the addresses therein stated. Such notice shall also be given by one 1718 or more publications at least one week before the day of the hearing, in a newspaper of general circulation published in the county in which the 19 20 court is located or such publication as the court deems advisable. The 21forms of the notices by mail and by publication shall be approved by the court, and the costs thereof shall be borne by the surviving or resulting 22 23 corporation.

(g) At the hearing on such petition, the court shall determine the 2425stockholders who have complied with this section and who have become 26 entitled to appraisal rights. The court may require the stockholders who have demanded an appraisal for their shares and who hold stock repre-27 sented by certificates to submit their certificates of stock to the clerk of 28the court for notation thereon of the pendency of the appraisal proceed-29 30 ings; and if any stockholder fails to comply with such direction, the court may dismiss the proceedings as to such stockholder. 31

32 (h) After determining the stockholders entitled to an appraisal, the 33 court shall appraise the shares, determining their fair value exclusive of any element of value arising from the accomplishment or expectation of 34 35 the merger or consolidation, together with a fair rate of interest, if any, to be paid upon the amount determined to be the fair value. In determin-36 ing such fair value, the court shall take into account all relevant factors. 37 In determining the fair rate of interest, the court may consider all relevant 38 factors, including the rate of interest which the surviving or resulting 39 40corporation would have had to pay to borrow money during the pendency of the proceeding. Upon application by the surviving or resulting corpo-41 42 ration or by any stockholder entitled to participate in the appraisal proceeding, the court may, in its discretion, permit discovery or other pretrial 43

1 proceedings and may proceed to trial upon the appraisal prior to the final 2 determination of the stockholder entitled to an appraisal. Any stockholder 3 whose name appears on the list filed by the surviving or resulting cor-4 poration pursuant to subsection (f) and who has submitted such stock-5 holder's certificates of stock to the clerk of the court, if such is required, 6 may participate fully in all proceedings until it is finally determined that 7 such stockholder is not entitled to appraisal rights under this section.

(i) The court shall direct the payment of the fair value of the shares, 8 9 together with interest, if any, by the surviving or resulting corporation to 10 the stockholders entitled thereto. Interest may be simple or compound, as 11 the court may direct. Payment shall be so made to each such stockholder, in the case of holders of uncertificated stock forthwith, and the case of 12 13 holders of shares represented by certificates upon the surrender to the corporation of the certificates representing such stock. The court's decree 14 15may be enforced as other decrees in the district court may be enforced, whether such surviving or resulting corporation be a corporation of this 16 17state or of any state.

(j) The costs of the proceeding may be determined by the court and
taxed upon the parties as the court deems equitable in the circumstances.
Upon application of a stockholder, the court may order all or a portion
of the expenses incurred by any stockholder in connection with the appraisal proceeding, including, without limitation, reasonable attorney's
fees and the fees and expenses of experts, to be charged pro rata against
the value of all the shares entitled to an appraisal.

25(k) From and after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, 26 no stockholder who has demanded appraisal rights as provided in sub-27 section (d) shall be entitled to vote such stock for any purpose or to receive payment of dividends or other distributions on the stock, except dividends 28or other distributions payable to stockholders of record at a date which 29 30 is prior to the effective date of the merger or consolidation; provided, however, that if no petition for an appraisal shall be filed within the time 31 provided in subsection (e), or if such stockholder shall deliver to the sur-32 viving or resulting corporation a written withdrawal of such stockholder's 33 demand for an appraisal and an acceptance of the merger or consolida-34 35 tion, either within 60 days after the effective date of the merger or consolidation as provided in subsection (e) or thereafter with the written 36 37 approval of the corporation, then the right of such stockholder to an appraisal shall cease. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no appraisal proceed-38 ing in the district court shall be dismissed as to any stockholder without 39 40the approval of the court, and such approval may be conditioned upon 41 such terms as the court deems just.

(l) The shares of the surviving or resulting corporation to which the
 shares of such objecting stockholders would have ben converted had they

assented to the merger or consolidation shall have the status of authorized
 and unissued shares of the surviving or resulting corporation.

3 Sec. 54. K.S.A. 17-6801 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6801. (a) Every corporation at any meeting of its board of directors may 4 sell, lease or exchange all or substantially all of its property and assets, 5including its good will and its corporate franchises, upon such terms and 6 7 conditions and for such consideration, which may consist in whole or in part of money or other property, including shares of stock in, or and/or 8 9 other securities of, any other corporation or corporations, as its board of 10 directors deems expedient and for the best interests of the corporation, 11 when and as authorized by a resolution adopted by a majority of the outstanding stock of the corporation entitled to vote thereon or, in the 12 13 case of non-stock corporations, by a majority of the members thereof 14 entitled to vote thereon, at a meeting thereof duly called upon at least 15twenty (20) 20 days' notice. The notice of the meeting shall state that such a resolution will be considered. 16

(b) Notwithstanding authorization or consent to a proposed sale,
lease or exchange of a corporation's property and assets pursuant to subsection (a), the board of directors may abandon such proposed sale, lease
or exchange without further action by the stockholders or members, as
the case may be, subject to the rights, if any, of third parties under any
contract relating thereto.

23 Sec. 55. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-6804 is hereby amended to read as 24follows: 17-6804. (a) If it is deemed advisable in the judgment of the 25board of directors of any corporation that it should be dissolved, the 26 board, after the adoption of a resolution to that effect by a majority of 27 the whole board at any meeting called for that purpose, shall give notice by mail to each stockholder entitled to vote on a dissolution of the adop-2829 tion of the resolution and of a meeting of stockholders to take action upon 30 the resolution.

31 (b) At the meeting a vote shall be taken for and against the proposed 32 dissolution. If a majority of the outstanding stock of the corporation en-33 titled to vote votes for the proposed dissolution, a certificate stating that the dissolution has been authorized in accordance with the provisions of 34 35 this section and setting forth the names and residences of the directors 36 and officers shall be executed and filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-37 6003 and amendments thereto. The secretary of state, upon being satis-38 fied that the requirements of this section have been complied with, shall issue a certificate that the certificate has been filed, and thereupon, the 39 40corporation shall be dissolved.

41 (c) Whenever all the stockholders entitled to vote on a dissolution
42 shall consent in writing to a dissolution, either in person or by duly au43 thorized attorney, no meeting of directors or stockholders shall be nec-

essary, but on filing the consent in the office of the secretary of state in 1 accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003 and amendments thereto, the secretary 2 3 of state, upon being satisfied that the requirements of this section have been complied with, shall issue a certificate that the consent to dissolution 4 has been filed, and thereupon the corporation shall be dissolved. In the 56 event that the consent if is signed by an attorney, the original power of 7 attorney or a photocopy thereof shall be attached to and filed with the consent. The consent filed with the secretary of state shall have attached 8 9 to it the affidavit of the secretary or some other officer of the corporation 10 stating that the consent has been signed by or on behalf of all the stock-11 holders entitled to vote on a dissolution; in addition there shall be attached to the consent a certification by the secretary or some officer of 12 13 the corporation setting forth the names and residences of the directors 14 and officers of the corporation.

15(d) If the stockholders of a corporation of the state, having only two stockholders, each of which owns 50% of the stock therein, are unable to 16 17agree upon the desirability of dissolving the corporation and disposing of 18 the corporate assets, either stockholder may file with the district court a 19petition stating that it desires to dissolve the corporation and to dispose 20of the assets thereof in accordance with a plan to be agreed upon by both 21 stockholders. Such petition shall have attached thereto a copy of the pro-22 posed plan of dissolution and distribution and a certificate stating that 23 copies of such petition and plan have been transmitted in writing to the 24other stockholder and to the directors and officers of such corporation.

25Unless both stockholders file with the district court: (1) Within three 26 months of the date of the filing of such petition, a certificate stating that 27 they have agreed on such plan, or a modification thereof; and (2) within 28one year from the date of the filing of such petition, a certificate stating 29 that the distribution provided by such plan has been completed, the court 30 may either: (A) dissolve such corporation and, by appointment of one or 31 more trustees or receivers with all the powers and title of a trustee or 32 receiver appointed under K.S.A. 17-6808 and amendments thereto, may 33 administer and wind up its affairs; (B) order the redemption of the stock of one of the stockholders on such terms as are just and equitable; or (C)34 35 decline to grant any relief. Either or both of the above periods of time 36 may be extended by agreement of the stockholders, evidenced by a cer-37 tificate filed with the court prior to the expiration of such period.

38 Sec. 56. K.S.A. 17-6805a is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-39 6805a. Notwithstanding any provision of law or the articles of incorpo-40 ration, the articles of incorporation of each nonprofit corporation that 41 qualifies otherwise for an exemption under section 501(c)(3) of the in-42 ternal revenue code of 1954 1986, as amended (26 U.S.C.  $\S501(c)(3)$ ), 43 shall be considered to contain the following provision:

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1 Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the board of directors or gov-2 erning body of the corporation, after paying or providing for the payment 3 of all liabilities of the corporation, shall dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively: (1) In accordance with the purposes of the cor-4 poration, in the manner determined by the board of directors or govern-56 ing body, or (2) to organizations qualified for exemption under section 7 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code of 1954 1986, as amended (26) U.S.C.(501(c)(3)), and specified by the board of directors or governing 8 9 body. Any assets of the corporation not so disposed of shall be disposed 10 of by the district court of the county where the principal office of the 11 corporation is then located, exclusively for the purposes or to the organ-12 izations provided above, as determined by the court.

13 Sec. 57. K.S.A. 17-6808 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-146808. When any corporation organized under this act shall be dissolved 15in any manner whatever, the district court, on application of any creditor, 16 stockholder or director of the corporation, or any other person who shows 17good cause therefor, at any time, either may appoint one or more of the 18 directors of the corporation to be trustees, or may appoint and/or one or 19 more other persons to be receivers, of and for the corporation, to take 20 charge of the corporation's property, and to collect the debts and property 21 due and belonging to the corporation, with power to prosecute and de-22 fend, in the name of the corporation, or otherwise, all such suits as may 23be necessary or proper for the purposes aforesaid, and to appoint an agent 24or agents under them, and to do all other acts which might be done by 25the corporation, if in being, that may be necessary for the final settlement 26 of the unfinished business of the corporation. The powers of the trustees 27 or receivers may be continued as long as the court shall think necessary 28for the purposes aforesaid.

29 Sec. 58. K.S.A. 17-6810 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-30 6810. The trustees or directors or, if appointed by the district court, the 31 receivers of a dissolved corporation, after payment of all allowances, expenses and costs, and the satisfaction of all special and general liens upon 32 33 the funds of the corporation to the extent of their lawful priority, shall 34 pay the other debts due from the corporation, if the funds in their hands 35 shall be sufficient therefor, and if not, they shall distribute the same rat-36 ably among all the creditors who shall prove their debts in the manner 37 that shall be directed by an order or decree of the court for that purpose. 38 If there shall be any balance remaining after the payment of the debts 39 and necessary expenses, they shall distribute and pay the same to and 40among those who shall be justly entitled thereto, as having been stock-41 holders of the corporation or their legal representatives.

42 Sec. 59. K.S.A. 17-6811 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-43 6811. If any corporation becomes dissolved in any manner whatever be-

fore final judgment is obtained in any action pending or commenced in 1 any court of this state against the corporation, the action shall not abate 2 3 by reason thereof, but the dissolution of the corporation being suggested upon the record, and the names of the trustees or receivers of the cor-4 poration being entered upon the record, and notice thereof served upon 56 the trustees or receivers, or if such service be impracticable, upon the 7 counsel of record in such case, the action shall proceed to final judgment against the trustees or receivers in the name of the corporation. 8

9 Sec. 60. K.S.A. 17-6902 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-10 6902. (a) Trustees or Receivers appointed by the district court of and for 11 any corporation, and their respective survivors and successors, upon their appointment and qualification or upon the death, resignation or discharge 12of any <del>co-trustee or</del> co-receiver, shall be vested by operation of law and 13 14without any act or deed with the title of the corporation to all of its 15property, real, personal or mixed of whatsoever nature, kind, class or 16 description, and wheresoever situate, except real estate situated outside this state. 17

(b) Within twenty (20) 20 days after the date of their qualification,
trustees or receivers appointed by the court shall file in the office of the
register of deeds of each county in this state in which any real estate
belonging to the corporation may be situated, a certified copy of the order
of their appointment and evidence of their qualification.

(c) This section shall not apply to receivers appointed *pendente lite*.
Sec. 61. K.S.A. 17-6903 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6903. All notices required to be given to stockholders and creditors in any action in which a receiver or trustee for a corporation was appointed shall be given by the clerk of the district court or in the manner provided by any applicable section of the code of civil procedure, unless otherwise ordered by the district court.

30 Sec. 62. K.S.A. 17-6904 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-31 6904. As soon as convenient, trustees or receivers shall file in the office 32 of the clerk of the district court of the county in which the proceeding is 33 pending, a full and complete itemized inventory of all the assets of the corporation, which shall show their nature and probable value, and an 34 35 account of all debts due from and to the corporation, as nearly as the 36 same can be ascertained. They shall make a report to the court of their 37 proceedings whenever and as often as the court shall direct.

Sec. 63. K.S.A. 17-6905 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6905. All creditors shall make proof under oath of their respective claims against the corporation and shall cause such proof of claim to be filed in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county in which the proceeding is pending within six (6) months from the date of the appointment of a trustee or receiver for the corporation, or within such other 1 period of time if the court shall so order and direct. All creditors and 2 claimants failing to do so, within the time limited by this section, or the 3 time prescribed by the order of the court, may be barred by the court 4 from participating in the distribution of the assets of the corporation. The 5 court also may prescribe what notice, by publication or otherwise, shall 6 be given to the creditors of the time fixed for the filing and making proof 7 of claims.

Sec. 64. K.S.A. 17-6906 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-8 9 6906. (a) The clerk of the district court, immediately upon the expiration 10 of the time fixed for the filing of claims, in compliance with the provisions 11 of K.S.A. 17-6905, and amendments thereto, shall notify the trustee or receiver of the filing of the claims, and the trustee or receiver, within 1213 thirty (30) 30 days after receiving the notice, shall inspect the claims, and 14if the trustee or receiver or any creditor shall not be satisfied with the 15validity or correctness of the same, or any of them, the trustee or receiver 16 shall forthwith notify the creditors whose claims are disputed of his such 17decision. The trustee or receiver shall require all creditors whose claims 18 are disputed to submit themselves to such examination in relation to their 19 claims as the trustee or receiver shall direct, and the creditors shall pro-20duce such books and papers relating to their claims as shall be required. 21 The trustee or receiver shall have power to examine, under oath or affir-22 mation, all witnesses produced before him the receiver touching the 23claims, and he shall recommend to the court the allowance or disallow-24ance of the claims, or any part thereof, and notify the claimants of his 25such determination.

26 (b) The court shall approve, disapprove or modify the recommen-27 dations of the trustee or receiver and shall cause notice thereof to be given to the claimants. Within thirty (30) 30 days after receipt of such 2829 notice, any creditor or claimant dissatisfied with the court's determination 30 shall have the right to a hearing thereon. The court, after hearing, shall 31 determine the rights of the parties. Any party aggrieved thereby may 32 appeal to the supreme court as a matter of right from the order or decree 33 expressing such determination.

Sec. 65. K.S.A. 17-6907 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-34 35 6907. Whenever the property of a corporation is at the time of the ap-36 pointment of a receiver or trustee encumbered with liens of any character, 37 and the validity, extent or legality of any such lien is disputed or brought in question, and the property of the corporation is of a character which 38 39 will deteriorate in value pending the litigation respecting the lien, the district court may order the receiver or trustee to sell the property of the 40corporation, clear of all encumbrances, at public or private sale, for the 4142 best price that can be obtained therefor. The net proceeds arising from 43 the sale thereof, after deducting the costs of the sale, shall be paid into the court, there to remain subject to the order of the court, and to be
 disposed of as the court shall direct.

Sec. 66. K.S.A. 17-6908 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6908. The district court, before making distribution of the assets of a corporation among the creditors or stockholders thereof, shall allow and pay out of the assets: (1) A reasonable compensation to the receiver or trustee for his the receiver's services; (2) the cost and expenses incurred in and about the execution of his trust the receivership, including reasonable attorneys' fees; and (3) the costs of the proceedings in the court.

10 Sec. 67. K.S.A. 17-6909 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-11 6909. A trustee or receiver, upon application by him the receiver in the 12 court in which any suit is pending, shall be substituted as party plaintiff 13 in the place of the corporation in any suit or proceeding which was so 14 pending at the time of his the receiver's appointment. No action against 15a trustee or receiver of a corporation shall abate by reason of his the 16 receiver's death, but, upon suggestion of the facts on the record, shall be 17continued against his the receiver's successor or against the corporation 18in case no new trustee or receiver is appointed.

19 Sec. 68. K.S.A. 17-6910 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-20 6910. Whenever any corporation of this state, or any foreign corporation 21doing business in this state, shall become insolvent, the employees doing 22 labor or service of whatever character in the regular employ of the cor-23poration, shall have a lien upon the assets thereof for the amount of the 24wages due to them, not exceeding two (2) months' wages, respectively, 25which shall be paid prior to any other debt or debts of the corporation. The word "employee" as used in this section shall not be construed to 26 27include any of the officers anyone owning or controlling a majority of the 28voting stock or voting power of the corporation.

29 Sec. 69. K.S.A. 17-6911 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-30 6911. The liquidation of the assets and business of an insolvent corpo-31 ration may be discontinued at any time during the liquidation proceedings 32 when it is established that cause for liquidation no longer exists. In such 33 event the district court in its discretion, and subject to such condition as 34 it may deem appropriate, may dismiss the proceedings and direct the 35 receiver or trustee to redeliver to the corporation all of its remaining 36 property and assets.

Sec. 70. K.S.A. 17-7003 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7003. Any corporation desiring to renew, extend and continue its corporate existence, upon complying with the provisions of K.S.A. 17-7002, *and amendments thereto*, shall be and continue *as a corporation* for the time stated in its certificate of renewal, a corporation; and in addition to the rights, privileges and immunities conferred by its articles of incorporation,

43 shall possess and enjoy all the benefits of this act which are applicable to

the nature of its business, and shall be subject to the restrictions and
 liabilities imposed by this act on such corporations.

3 Sec. 71. K.S.A. 17-7103 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7103. The liability of a corporation of this state, or the stockholders, di-4 rectors or officers thereof, or the rights or remedies of the creditors 56 thereof, or of persons doing or transacting business with the corporation, 7 shall not in any way be lessened or impaired by the voluntary transfer or sale of the assets, properties and other rights of the corporation, or by 8 9 the increase or decrease in the capital stock of the corporation, or by its 10 merger or consolidation with one or more corporations, or other entities, 11 or by any change or amendment in its articles of incorporation.

Sec. 72. K.S.A. 17-7104 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7104. (a) No domestic or foreign corporation shall be permitted to set up or rely upon the want of legal organization as a defense to any action against it; nor shall any person transacting business with such corporation, or sued for injury done to its property, be permitted to rely upon such want of legal organization as a defense.

18 (b) This section shall not be construed to prevent judicial injury *in-*19 *quiry* into the regularity or validity of the organization of a corporation, 20 or its lawful possession of any corporate power it may assert in any other 21 suit or proceeding where its corporate existence or the power to exercise 22 the corporate rights it asserts is challenged, and evidence tending to sus-23 tain the challenge shall be admissible in any such suit or proceeding.

Sec. 73. K.S.A. 17-7202 is hereby amended to read as follows: 177202. (a) A close corporation is a corporation organized under this act
whose articles of incorporation contain the provisions required by K.S.A.
17-6002, and amendments thereto, and, in addition, provide that:

(1) All of the corporation's issued stock of all classes, exclusive of
treasury shares, shall be held of record by not more than a specified
number of persons, not exceeding thirty (30) 35; and

(2) All of the issued stock of all classes shall be subject to one or more
of the restrictions on transfer permitted by K.S.A. 17-6426, *and amend- ments thereto*; and

(3) The corporation shall make no offering of any of its stock of any
class which would constitute a "public offering" within the meaning of
the United States securities act of 1933, as it may be amended from time
to time.

(b) The articles of incorporation of a close corporation may set forth
the qualifications of stockholders, either by specifying classes of persons
who shall be entitled to be holders of record of stock of any class, or by
specifying classes of persons who shall not be entitled to be holders of
stock of any class, or both.

43 (c) For purposes of determining the number of holders of record of

the stock of a close corporation, stock which is held in joint or common
 tenancy or by the entireties shall be treated as held by one stockholder.
 Sec. 74. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-7301 is hereby amended to read as
 follows: 17-7301. (a) As used in this act, the words "foreign corporation"
 mean a corporation organized under the laws of any jurisdiction other
 than this state.

7 (b) No foreign corporation shall do any business in this state, through 8 or by branch offices, agents or representatives located in this state, until 9 it has filed in the office of the secretary of state of this state an application 10 for authority to engage in business in this state as a foreign corporation. 11 Such application shall be filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003 and 12 amendments thereto and shall set forth *include*:

(1) A certificate issued within <del>90 days</del> six months of the date of application by the proper officer of the jurisdiction where such corporation
is incorporated attesting to the fact that such corporation is a corporation
in good standing in such jurisdiction;

17 (2) a statement that the corporation is in good standing in the state 18 of incorporation as of the date the application is signed;

19 (3) the address of the principal office of the corporation is located;

20 (3) the address of the principal office or place of business in this state
 21 is to be located, if known;

(4) the full nature and character of the business the corporation proposes to conduct in this state, *including whether the corporation operates*for profit or not for profit;

(5) the name and address of each of the officers and trustees or di rectors of the corporation;

27 (6) a statement as to when the corporate existence of the corporation
 28 will expire in the state of incorporation;

29 (7) a detailed statement of the assets and liabilities of the corporation,
 30 as of a date not earlier than 12 months prior to the filing date;

31 -(8) (5) the location of the registered office of the corporation in this
 32 state and the name of its resident agent in charge of the registered office;
 33 and for service of process required to be maintained by this act;

(9) (6) the date on which the corporation commenced, or intends to commence, doing business in this state; *and* 

36 (7) an irrevocable written consent of the foreign corporation that ac-

37 tions may be commenced against it in the proper court of any county

38 where there is proper venue by service of process on the secretary of state

39 as provided for in K.S.A. 60-304, and amendments thereto, and stipulating 40 and agreeing that such service shall be taken and held, in all courts, to be

40 and agreeing that such service shall be taken and held, in all courts, to be 41 as valid and binding as if due service had been made upon an officer of

42 the corporation.

43 The application shall be subscribed and sworn to by the president or a

vice-president and the sceretary or an assistant sceretary of the corpora-1 tion, and it shall be accompanied by the written consent of the corpora-2 tion, irrevocable, that actions may be commenced against it in the proper 3 court of any county where there is proper venue by the service of process 4 on the secretary of state as provided for in K.S.A. 17-7307 and amend-56 ments thereto and stipulating and agreeing that such service shall be taken 7 and held, in all courts, to be as valid and binding as if due service had been made upon the president and secretary of the corporation. Such 8 9 consent shall be executed by the president or a vice-president and the 10 secretary or an assistant secretary of the corporation and shall be accom-11 panied by a duly certified copy of the order or resolution of the board of directors, trustees or managers of the corporation authorizing the secre-12 tary or an assistant secretary and the president or a vice-president to 13 14execute it executed and filed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and 15amendments thereto.

16 (c) After receipt of the application and fee, if the secretary of state 17 finds that it complies with the provisions of this section, the secretary of 18 state shall file *record* the original application and <del>certify the duplicate</del> 19 <del>copy</del> *return the original, certified* in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and 20 amendments thereto. The certified copy of the application shall be prima 21 facie evidence of the right of the corporation to do business in this state. 22 The secretary of state shall not file such application unless:

(1) The name of the corporation is such as to distinguish it upon the
records of the office of the secretary of state from the name of each any
other corporation, *limited liability company or limited partnership* organized under the laws of this state or reserved or registered as a foreign
corporation, *limited liability company or limited partnership* under the
laws of this state;

(2) the corporation has obtained the written consent of such other
corporation *entity*, which has the same name, for the corporation to do
business in this state under such name and such consent has been executed and filed with the secretary of state in accordance with K.S.A. 176003 and amendments thereto; or

(3) the corporation indicates, as a means of identification and in itsadvertising within this state, the state in which it is incorporated.

Sec. 75. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-7302 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7302. (a) Whenever any foreign corporation admitted to do business in this state is a party to a merger or consolidation with any other foreign corporation, whether or not admitted to do business in this state,

40 the resident agent of such foreign corporation shall file with the secretary

41 of state of this state, within 30 days after the time the merger or consol-

42 idation becomes effective, a certificate of the proper officer of the juris-

43 diction under the laws of which the merger or consolidation was effected,

1 attesting to such merger or consolidation and stating:

(1) The corporate parties thereto;

3 (2) the time when such merger or consolidation became effective; 4 and

5 (3) that the resulting or surviving corporation is a corporation in good 6 standing in such jurisdiction.

Upon the written request of any person and the payment of a fee 7 (b) 8 of \$25, the resident agent of any foreign corporation admitted to do busi-9 ness in this state shall furnish such person with a copy of the articles of 10 incorporation of such corporation which are then in effect, within 30 days 11 after such request. If the resident agent does not furnish the articles of incorporation within the preseribed time, the person requesting a copy 12 13 thereof may apply to the secretary of state for an order directing the 14 resident agent to furnish such person with a copy of the articles of incor-15poration within 30 days of the date of the order. Upon such application being made, the secretary of state shall issue the order, and if the resident 16 17agent fails to comply therewith, the right of such foreign corporation to 18 do business in this state shall be forfeited.

19 (e) Whenever any foreign corporation admitted to do business in this 20 state shall amend its articles of incorporation in a manner which affects 21any of the information contained on such corporation's application to do 22 business in Kansas, the resident agent of such corporation shall file with 23 the secretary of state, within 30 days after the amendment is adopted, a 24certificate of the proper officer of the jurisdiction in which such corpo-25ration has been incorporated attesting to such amendment. Any foreign 26 corporation may amend its original application for authority to do business 27 in Kansas by filing a certificate of amendment certifying that such amend-28ment has been duly adopted, and by executing and filing the same and 29 executed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003 and amendments thereto.

30 Sec. 76. K.S.A. 17-7303 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-31 7303. Every foreign corporation that has an office or place of business 32 within this state, or a distributing point herein, or that delivers its wares 33 or products to resident agents in this state for sale, delivery or distribution, 34 shall be held to be doing business in this state within the meaning of this 35 act: Provided, That foreign corporations shall have the right to receive, 36 take, purchase and hold, by mortgage or otherwise, any securities or liens 37 executed, given, transferred or intended to represent or secure loans upon 38 real or personal property situated in this state, and to sell, assign, transfer, 39 sue upon, foreclose or otherwise enforce the same; and any foreign cor-40poration which engages in Kansas solely and exclusively in the activities 41 enumerated in this proviso shall not be required to obtain authority under 42 this act to engage in such activities in this state. (a) Activities of a foreign

43 corporation which do not constitute doing business within the meaning

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1 of K.S.A. 17-7301, and amendments thereto, include:

(1) Maintaining, defending or settling an action or proceeding;

3 (2) holding meetings or carrying on any other activity concerning its 4 internal affairs;

(3) maintaining bank accounts;

6 (4) maintaining offices or agencies for the transfer, exchange and reg-7 istration of the corporation's own securities or maintaining trustees or 8 depositories with respect to those securities;

(5) selling through independent contractors;

(6) soliciting or obtaining orders, whether by mail or electronic com merce or through employees or agents or otherwise, if the orders require
 acceptance outside this state before they become contracts;

(7) creating or acquiring indebtedness, mortgages or security interests
 in real or personal property;

(8) securing or collecting debts or foreclosing mortgages or other se curity interests in property securing the debts, and holding, protecting
 and maintaining property so acquired;

(9) conducting an isolated transaction that is completed within 30
 days and is not one in the course of similar transactions of like nature;
 and

(10) transacting business in interstate commerce.

(b) The ownership in this state of income producing real property or
 tangible personal property, other than property excluded under subsec tion (a), constitutes transacting business in this state.

(c) This section does not apply in determining the contacts or activities that may subject a foreign corporation to service of process, taxation
or regulation under any other law of this state.

Sec. 77. K.S.A. 17-7304 is hereby amended to read as follows: 177304. (a) Any foreign corporation, which that has qualified to do business
in this state may change its registered office or resident agent in the
manner prescribed by K.S.A. 17-6203, and amendments thereto.

(b) Any individual or corporation designated by a foreign corporation
as its resident agent for service of process may resign pursuant to the
provisions of K.S.A. 17-6205 or 17-6206, and amendments thereto.

(c) A resident agent may change the address of the corporation's registered office in the manner prescribed by K.S.A. 17-6204, and amend-*ments thereto*.

Sec. 78. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-7306 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7306. (a) Any foreign corporation which shall have qualified to do business in this state under the provisions of K.S.A. 17-7301, and amendments thereto, may surrender its authority to do business in this

42 state and may withdraw therefrom by filing with the secretary of state:

43 (1) A certificate signed by its president or a vice-president and at-

1 tested by its secretary or an assistant secretary executed in accordance 2 with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto, stating that it surrenders 3 its authority to transact business in the state of Kansas and withdraws 4 therefrom; and stating the address to which the secretary of state may 5 mail any process against the corporation that may be served upon the 6 secretary of state; or

7 (2) A copy of a certificate of dissolution issued by the proper official 8 of the state or other jurisdiction of its incorporation, certified to be a true 9 copy under the hand and official seal of the official, together with a cer-10 tificate, which shall be executed in accordance with paragraph (1) of this 11 subsection K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments thereto, stating the address 12 to which the secretary of state may mail any process against the corpo-13 ration that may be served upon the secretary of state; or

14 (3)A copy of an order or decree of dissolution made by any court of 15competent jurisdiction or other competent authority of the state or other 16 jurisdiction of its incorporation, certified to be a true copy under the hand 17of the clerk of the court or other official body, and the official seal of the 18 <del>court or official body or clerk thereof,</del> together with a certificate executed 19in accordance with paragraph (1) of this subsection K.S.A. 17-6003, and 20 amendments thereto, stating the address to which the secretary of state 21may mail any process against the corporation that may be served upon 22 the secretary of state.

The documents evidencing the withdrawal may be filed by telefacsimile
communication as prescribed by K.S.A. 17-6003a, and amendments
thereto.

(b) The secretary of state, Upon payment to the secretary of state of
any required fees, shall file the secretary of state shall record the certificate
cate of withdrawal and certify a duplicate return the original, certified
copy, evidencing the surrender of the authority of the corporation to do
business in this state and its withdrawal therefrom.

31 Upon the filing of the certificate by the secretary of state, the (c) 32 appointment of the resident agent of the corporation in this state, upon 33 whom process against the corporation may be served, shall be revoked, 34 and the corporation shall be deemed to have consented that service of 35 process in any action, suit or proceeding based upon any cause of action 36 arising in this state, during the time the corporation was authorized to 37 transact business in this state, may thereafter be made by service upon the secretary of state in the manner prescribed by K.S.A. 60-304, and 38 39 amendments thereto.

40 Sec. 79. K.S.A. 17-7501 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-41 7501. As used in this act:

42 (a) "Domestic corporation" means any corporation organized under 43 the laws of this state, irrespective of whether such corporation is organ1 ized for profit.

2 (b) "Foreign corporation" means any corporation organized under 3 the laws of any jurisdiction other than this state.

4 (c) "Articles of incorporation" means the original articles of incor-5 poration filed to create a corporation, but such term also includes the 6 charter, articles of association and any other instrument by whatever name 7 known under which a corporation has been or may be lawfully formed.

(d) "Shareholder's equity" means the sum of: (1) Paid-in capital stock, 8 9 except that paid-in capital stock shall not include any capital stock issued 10 by a corporation and reacquired by such corporation through gift, pur-11 chase or otherwise and available for resale or retirement; (2) capital paid in, in excess of par; and (3) retained earnings, except that any moneys 1213 which have been allocated and are payable to the members of any cor-14 poration which is organized as a cooperative association or society shall 15not be included as part of the retained earnings of such corporation for 16 the purpose of this act; minus the amount of equity owned in any subsid-17iary entity reported on the subsidiary entity's annual report.

"Shareholder's equity attributable to Kansas" means the share-18 (e) 19 holder's equity of a corporation multiplied by a percentage which is the 20 average of the following three percentages: (1) The average value of the 21corporation's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and 22 used in this state during the next preceding tax period divided by the 23 average total value of the corporation's real and tangible personal property 24owned or rented and used during the next preceding tax period; (2) the 25total amount of compensation paid by the corporation in this state during 26 the next preceding tax period divided by the total amount of compensa-27 tion paid everywhere by the corporation during the next preceding tax 28period; and (3) the total sales of the corporation in this state during the next preceding tax period divided by the total sales of the corporation 29 30 everywhere during the next preceding tax period. If a corporation has no 31 property or activity mentioned in one of the above factors, the appropriate 32 percentage for that factor is 100%.

(f) "Tax period" means a corporation's taxable year under the Kansasincome tax act.

(g) "Subsidiary entity" means an entity in which a corporation holds
more than 50% equity ownership.

Sec. 80. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-7503 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7503. (a) Every domestic corporation organized for profit shall make an annual report in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the corporation at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing, but if a corporation's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give

43 notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year

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it commences such tax period. The reports shall be made on forms pre-1 scribed by the secretary of state. The report shall be filed at the time 2 3 prescribed by law for filing the corporation's annual Kansas income tax return, except that if any such corporation shall apply for an extension of 4 time for filing its annual income tax return under the internal revenue 56 service or under subsection (c) of K.S.A. 79-3221, and amendments 7 thereto, such corporation shall also apply, not more than 90 days after the due date of its annual report, to the secretary of state for an extension 8 9 of the time for filing the report and an extension shall be granted for a 10 period of time corresponding to that granted under the internal revenue 11 code or K.S.A. 79-3221, and amendments thereto. Such application shall include a copy of the *extension* application to filed with the income tax 1213 authorities. The report shall contain the following information:

(1) The name of the corporation;

(2) the location of the principal office;

(3) the names and addresses of the president, secretary, treasurer, or
 equivalent thereof, and members of the board of directors, with the res idence address of each;

(4) the number of shares of capital stock issued and the amount of
capital stock paid up and the par value per share of each class of capital
stock having a par value and the number of shares of each class of stock
without par value which the corporation is authorized to issue;

(5) the number of shares of capital stock issued; and

24 (5) (6) the nature and kind of business in which the corporation is 25 engaged; and .

26 (6) a list of stockholders owning at least 5% of the capital stock of the
 27 corporation, with the post office address of each.

(b) Every corporation subject to the provisions of this section which
holds agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments
thereto, within this state shall show the following additional information
on the report:

(1) The acreage and location listed by section, range, township and
county of each lot, tract or parcel of agricultural land in this state owned
or leased by or to the corporation;

(2) the purposes for which such agricultural land is owned or leasedand, if leased, to whom such agricultural land is leased;

(3) the value of the nonagricultural assets and the agricultural assets,
stated separately, owned and controlled by the corporation both within
and without the state of Kansas and where situated;

40 (4) the total number of stockholders of the corporation;

(5) the number of acres owned or operated by the corporation, thenumber of acres leased by the corporation and the number of acres leased

43 to the corporation;

(6) the number of acres of agricultural land, held and reported in each category under provision (5), state separately, being irrigated; and
(7) whether any of the agricultural land held and reported under this subsection was acquired after July 1, 1981.

 $\mathbf{5}$ (c) The report shall be signed by its president, secretary, treasurer or other officer duly authorized so to act, or by any two of its directors, or 6 by an incorporator in the event its board of directors shall not have been 7 elected executed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments 8 9 thereto. The fact that an individual's name is signed on such report shall 10 be prima facie evidence that such individual is authorized to sign the 11 report on behalf of the corporation; however, the official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. This report will 1213 shall be dated and subscribed by the person as true, under penalty of 14 perjury.

15 (d) At the time of filing such annual report it shall be the duty of 16 each domestic corporation organized for profit to pay to the secretary of 17 state an annual franchise tax in an amount equal to \$1 for each \$1,000 of 18 the corporation's shareholder's equity attributable to Kansas, except that 19 no such tax shall be less than \$20 or more than \$2,500. The amount of 20 any such franchise tax paid by the corporation to the secretary as provided 21 by this subsection shall not be disclosed by the secretary.

22 Sec. 81. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-7504 is hereby amended to read as 23 follows: 17-7504. (a) Every corporation organized not for profit shall make 24an annual report in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed 25information concerning the corporation at the close of business on the 26 last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing, but if a cor-27 poration's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice 28thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it 29 commences such tax period. The reports shall be made on forms pre-30 scribed by the secretary of state. The report shall be filed on the 15th day 31 of the sixth month following the close of the taxable year, except that such corporation may apply to the secretary of state not more than 90 days 32 33 after the due date of its annual report for an extension of the time for filing the report, and an extension shall be granted for a period of time 34 35 corresponding to that granted under the internal revenue code or K.S.A. 36 79-3221, and amendments thereto. The report shall contain the following 37 information:

- 38 (1) The name of the corporation;
- 39 (2) the location of the principal office;

40 (3) the names *and addresses* of the president, secretary and treasurer,

41 or equivalent thereof, and the members of the board of directors, with
42 the residence address of each governing body;

43 (4) the number of memberships or the number of shares of capital

stock authorized and issued and the amount of capital stock paid up. 1

Every corporation subject to the provisions of this section which 2 (b) 3 holds agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, within this state shall show the following additional information 4 5on the report:

(1) The acreage and location listed by section, range, township and 6 7 county of each lot, tract or parcel of agricultural land in this state owned or leased by or to the corporation; 8

9 (2)the purposes for which such agricultural land is owned or leased and, if leased, to whom such agricultural land is leased;

11 the value of the nonagricultural assets and the agricultural assets, (3)12 stated separately, owned and controlled by the corporation both within 13 and without the state of Kansas and where situated;

(4)the total number of stockholders or members of the corporation;

15(5)the number of acres owned or operated by the corporation, the 16 number of acres leased by the corporation and the number of acres leased 17to the corporation;

the number of acres of agricultural land, held and reported in 18(6)19 each category under paragraph (5) of this subsection (b), stated sepa-20 rately, being irrigated; and

21(7) whether any of the agricultural land held and reported under this 22 subsection was acquired after July 1, 1981.

(c) The report shall be signed by its president, secretary, treasurer or 23other officer duly authorized so to act, or by any two of its directors, or 2425by an incorporator in the event its board of directors shall not have been 26 elected executed in accordance with 17-6003, and amendments thereto. 27The fact that an individual's name is signed on such report shall be prima 28facie evidence that such individual is authorized to sign the report on 29behalf of the corporation; however, the official title or position of the 30 individual signing the report shall be designated. This report will shall be 31 dated and subscribed by the person as true, under penalty of perjury.

32 At the time of filing such report, each nonprofit corporation shall (d)33 pay an annual privilege fee of \$5, except that the annual fee for tax periods 34 ending after December 31, 1992, shall be \$20.

35 Sec. 82. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-7505 is hereby amended to read as 36 follows: 17-7505. (a) Every foreign corporation organized for profit, or 37 organized under the cooperative type statutes of the state, territory or 38 foreign country of incorporation, now or hereafter doing business in this 39 state, and owning or using a part or all of its capital in this state, and subject to compliance with the laws relating to the admission of foreign 40corporations to do business in Kansas, shall make an annual report in 4142 writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information con-43 cerning the corporation at the close of business on the last day of its tax

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period next preceding the date of filing, but if a corporation operates on 1 a fiscal year other than the calendar year it shall give written notice thereof 2 3 to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year commencing 4 such fiscal year. The report shall be made on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The report shall be filed at the time prescribed by law 56 for filing the corporation's annual Kansas income tax return, except that 7 if any such corporation shall apply for an extension of time for filing its annual income tax return under the internal revenue service or under 8 9 subsection (c) of K.S.A. 79-3221, and amendments thereto, such corpo-10 ration shall also apply, not more than 90 days after the due date of its 11 annual report, to the secretary of state for an extension of the time for 12 filing the report and an extension shall be granted for a period of time corresponding to that granted under the internal revenue code or K.S.A. 13 14 79-3221, and amendments thereto. Such application shall include a copy 15of the extention application to filed with the income tax authorities. The 16 report shall contain the following facts:

17 (1) The name of the corporation and under the laws of what state or 18 country <del>organized</del> *it is incorporated*;

19 (2) the location of its principal office;

(3) the names and addresses of the president, secretary, treasurer, or
 equivalent thereof, and members of the board of directors, with the res idence address of each;

(4) the number of shares of capital stock issued and the amount of
capital stock paid up and the par value per share of each class of capital
stock having a par value and the number of shares of each class of stock
without par value which the corporation is authorized to issue;

(5) the number of shares of capital stock issued; and

(5) (6) the nature and kind of business in which the company is engaged and its place or places of business both within and without the state of Kansas;

(6) the value of the property owned and used by the company in
 Kansas, where situated, and the value of the property owned and used
 outside of Kansas and where situated; and

 $34 \quad -(7) \quad \text{the corporation's shareholder's equity attributable to Kansas.}$ 

(b) Every corporation subject to the provisions of this section which
holds agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments
thereto, within this state shall show the following additional information
on the report:

(1) The acreage and location listed by section, range, township and
county of each lot, tract or parcel of agricultural land in this state owned
or leased by or to the corporation;

42 (2) the purposes for which such agricultural land is owned or leased 43 and, if leased, to whom such agricultural land is leased; 1 (3) the value of the nonagricultural assets and the agricultural assets, 2 stated separately, owned and controlled by the corporation both within 3 and without the state of Kansas and where situated;

the total number of stockholders of the corporation; (4)

 $\mathbf{5}$ the number of acres owned or operated by the corporation, the (5)6 number of acres leased by the corporation and the number of acres leased 7 to the corporation;

(6) the number of acres of agricultural land, held and reported in 8 9 each category under paragraph (5) of this subsection (b), stated sepa-10 rately, being irrigated; and

(7) whether any of the agricultural land held and reported under this 11 subsection was acquired after July 1, 1981. 12

(c) The report shall be signed by its president, secretary, treasurer or 13 other officer duly authorized so to act, or by any two of its directors, or 1415by an incorporator in the event its board of directors shall not have been elected executed in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6003, and amendments 16 thereto. The fact that an individual's name is signed on such report shall 17be prima facie evidence that such individual is authorized to sign the 18 19 report on behalf of the corporation; however, the official title or position 20of the individual signing the report shall be designated. This report will 21shall be dated and subscribed by the person as true, under penalty of 22 perjury.

23 (d) At the time of filing its annual report, each such foreign corpo-24ration shall pay to the secretary of state an annual franchise tax in an 25amount equal to \$1 for each \$1,000 of the corporation's shareholder's 26 equity attributable to Kansas, except that no such tax shall be less than 27 \$20 or more than \$2,500. The amount of any such franchise tax paid by 28the foreign corporation to the secretary as provided by this subsection 29 shall not be disclosed by the secretary.

30 Sec. 83. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-7506 is hereby amended to read as 31 follows: 17-7506. (a) The secretary of state shall charge each domestie 32 and foreign corporation a fee of \$20 established pursuant to rules and 33 regulations, but not exceeding \$250, for issuing or filing and indexing any of the corporate documents described below: 34

35 (1) Restated articles of incorporation; of a for-profit or a foreign cor-36 poration application.

37 (b) The secretary of state shall charge each corporation a fee established by rules and regulations, but not exceeding \$50, for articles of 38 incorporation of a nonprofit corporation. 39

40 (c) The secretary of state shall charge each corporation a fee estab-

41 lished by rules and regulations, but not exceeding \$150, for issuing or

42 filing and indexing any of the corporate documents described below:

(2) (1) certificate of extension, restoration, renewal or revival of ar-43

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- 1 ticles of incorporation;
- 2 (3) (2) certificate of amendment of articles of incorporation, either
- 3 prior to or after payment of capital;
- 4 (4) (3) certificate of designation of preferences;
- 5 (5) (4) certificate of retirement of preferred stock;
- 6 (6) (5) certificate of increase or reduction of capital;

7 (7) (6) certificate of dissolution, either prior to or after beginning 8 business;

9 (8) (7) certificate of revocation of voluntary dissolution;

10 (9) (8) certificate of change of location of registered office and resi-11 dent agent;

- 12 (10) (9) agreement of merger or consolidation;
- 13 (11)(10) certificate of ownership and merger;
- 14 (12) (11) certificate of extension, restoration, renewal or revival of a
- 15 certificate of authority of foreign corporation to do business in Kansas;
- 16 (13) (12) change of resident agent *or amendment* by foreign 17 corporation;
- 18  $(\overline{14})$  (13) certificate of withdrawal of foreign corporation;
- 19 (15)(14) certificate of correction of any of the instruments designated 20 in this section;
- 21 (16) (15) reservation of corporate name; and

22 -(17) any other certificate for which a filing or indexing fee is not 23 preseribed by law.

- 24 (16) restated articles of incorporation; and
  - (17) annual report extension.

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(d) The secretary of state shall charge each corporation a fee established pursuant to rules and regulations but not exceeding \$50 for issuing
certified copies, photocopies, letters of good standing, certificates of good
standing and certificates of fact; and any other certificate or filing for
which a filing or indexing fee is not prescribed by law.

31 (b) Except as hereinafter provided, the

32 (e) The secretary of state shall not charge fees for the documents or 33 services described below:

(1) Certified copies, \$7.50 for each copy certified plus a fee per page
 if the secretary of state supplies the copies in an amount fixed by the
 secretary of state and approved by the director of accounts and reports
 under K.S.A. 45-204, and amendments thereto; the fee for each certifi-

- cate of good standing and certificate of fact issued by the secretary of
   state shall be \$7.50;
- 40 (2) For a report of record search, \$5, but furnishing the following
- 41 information shall not be considered a record search and no charge shall
- 42 be made therefor for providing the following information: Name of the
- 43 corporation and ; address of its registered office; name and address and

the name of its resident agent; the amount of its authorized capital stock;
 the state of its incorporation; date of filing of articles of incorporation,
 certificate of good standing foreign corporation application or annual report; and date of expiration; and

5 (3) For photocopies of instruments on file in or prepared by the see-6 retary of state's office and which are not certified, a fee per page in an 7 amount fixed by the secretary of state and approved by the director of 8 accounts and reports under K.S.A. 45-204, and amendments thereto.

9 (f) the secretary of state shall prescribe by rules and regulations any 10 fees required by this act.

11 Sec. 84. K.S.A. 17-7507 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-12 7507. No corporation shall be required to file its first annual report under 13 this act, or pay any annual franchise tax required to accompany such 14 report, unless such corporation has filed its articles of incorporation or 15certificate of good standing foreign corporation application at least six 16 months prior to the last day of its tax period. If any corporation shall file 17with the secretary of state a notice of change in its tax period, and the 18 next annual report filed by such corporation subsequent to such notice is 19 based on a tax period of less than 12 months. The, the annual tax liability 20shall be determined by multiplying the annual franchise tax liability for 21such year by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of months, 22 or any portion thereof, covered by the annual report and the denominator 23 of which is 12. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the minimum annual fran-24chise tax shall be \$20. This section shall be applicable to all annual reports 25filed by corporations with tax periods ending after November 30, 1987.

26 Sec. 85. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 17-7508 is hereby amended to read as 27 follows: 17-7508. All taxes paid pursuant to the provisions of this act shall 28be rounded off to the nearest \$1, and unless other disposition is specifi-29 cally provided by law, the taxes collected under the provisions of this act 30 and all overpayments which may not be refunded under this section shall 31 be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of 32 K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such 33 remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state 34 treasury to the credit of the state general fund. The secretary of state 35 shall not refund any overpayment of franchise taxes which is equal to \$1 36 \$5 or less, shall not credit any domestic corporation or foreign corporation 37 with any amount which may not be refunded under this section, and shall 38 not require reimbursement for any underpayment of franchise taxes 39 which is less than \$1 \$5. No refund shall be allowed by the secretary of 40state after three years from the date prescribed by law for filing the report, provided it was filed before the due date, unless a refund is requested 4142 before the expiration of such period a elaim therefor is filed by the tax-43 payer. If the report was filed after the due date, a refund claim must shall

be filed not later than three years from the time the report was actually
 filed.

3 Sec. 86. K.S.A. 17-7510 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7510. (a) In addition to any other penalties, the failure of any domestic 4 corporation to file the annual report in accordance with the provisions of 56 this act or to pay the annual taxes herein provided for within 90 days of 7 the time for filing and paying the same shall work the forfeiture of the articles of incorporation of such domestic corporation. Within 60 days 8 9 after the date such annual report and taxes are due, the secretary of state, 10 by mail, shall notify any corporation that has failed to submit such report 11 and taxes when due that its articles of incorporation shall be forfeited unless the annual report is filed and the taxes thereon are paid within 90 1213 days from the date such report and taxes were due. Any corporation that 14 fails to submit such report and taxes within such time shall forfeit its 15articles of incorporation, and the secretary of state shall notify the attorney 16 general that the articles of incorporation of such corporation have been 17forfeited.

18 In addition to any other penalties, the failure of any foreign cor-(b) 19 poration to file the annual report or pay the annual franchise taxes pre-20scribed by this act within 90 days from the time provided for filing and paying the same shall work a forfeiture of its right or authority to do 2122 business in this state. Within 60 days after the date such annual report 23and taxes are due, the secretary of state, by mail, shall notify any corpo-24ration that has failed to submit such report and taxes when due that its 25authority to do business in this state shall be forfeited unless the annual report and taxes thereon are paid within 90 days from the date such report 26 27and taxes were due. Any corporation that fails to submit such report and 28taxes within such time shall forfeit its authority to do business in this state, 29 and the secretary of state shall publish a notice of such forfeiture in the 30 Kansas register.

This section shall not be construed to restrict the state from invoking any other remedies provided by law.

(c) The secretary of state shall not issue certificates of good standing
 for any corporation that has failed to pay its franchise taxes.

35 Sec. 87. K.S.A. 17-7512 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-36 7512. The provisions of this act relating to the filing of annual reports and the payment of franchise taxes shall not apply to banking, insurance 37 38 or savings and loan corporations or associations or to, credit unions or, any firemen's relief association under the jurisdiction and supervision of 39 the insurance commissioner or to, Kansas Venture Capital, Inc., or to 40 venture capital companies certified by the secretary of commerce pur-4142 suant to article 83 of chapter 74 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated and

43 amendments thereto.

1 Sec. 88. K.S.A. 17-7514 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-2 7514. (a) Whenever any corporation, professional corporation, limited 3 partnership, business trust or other business entity which is required to file an annual report with the secretary of state in accordance with the 4 provisions of K.S.A. 17-2036, 17-2718, 17-7503, 17-7504, 17-7505, 56-56 1a606 or 56-1a607, and amendments thereto, shall apply for an extension 7 of time for filing its annual income tax return from the internal revenue service, the time for filing the annual report with the secretary of state 8 9 shall be extended, correspondingly, upon filing with the secretary of state, 10 prior to the due date of its annual report, a copy of the application to 11 income tax authorities. All such copies of applications for extension of the 12 time for filing income tax returns filed on or after December 31, 1978, 13 shall be maintained by the secretary of state in a confidential file and shall 14 not be disclosed to any person except as authorized pursuant to the pro-15visions of K.S.A. 79-3234 and amendments thereto and subsection (c) of 16 this section. All copies of such applications shall be preserved for one year 17and thereafter until the secretary of state orders that they be destroyed. 18 Except in accordance with subsection (c) of this section or a 19 proper judicial order, it shall be unlawful for the secretary of state or any 20 other officer, employee, former officer or former employee of this state 21 to disclose any information contained in copies of federal extensions of 22 time to file income tax returns. Nothing in this section shall be deemed 23 to prohibit the secretary of state or any officer or employee of the office 24of secretary of state from issuing any of the corporate documents de-25scribed in K.S.A. 17-7506 and amendments thereto or any document 26 described in K.S.A. 56-1a605 and amendments thereto concerning a lim-27 ited partnership.

(c) All copies of such applications shall be open to inspection by or 2829 disclosure to: (1) In the case of a corporation (i) Any person designated 30 by resolution of the corporation's board of directors or other similar gov-31 erning body; (ii) (2) any officer or employee of such corporation upon 32 written request signed by any principal officer and attested to by the 33 secretary or other officer; or (iii) (3) any bona fide shareholder of record 34 owning 100 or more shares or 1% or more of the outstanding stock of 35 such corporation; (2) in the case of any limited partnership, any person 36 who was a member of such partnership during any part of the period covered by the extension; (3) in the case of any business trust, any person 37 designated by resolution of the trustees of the business trust; and (4) in 38 the case of a limited liability company, any person who was a member of 39 40 such company during any part of the period covered by the extension.

41 (d) Any violation of subsection (b) is a class B nonperson 42 misdemeanor.

43 Sec. 89. K.S.A. 17-6102, 17-6201, 17-6202, 17-6301, 17-6302, 17-

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Sec. 90. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after itspublication in the statute book.