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HOUSE BILL No. 2259

By Representatives Patterson, Newton, Owens, D. Williams and Yoder

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9 AN ACT concerning schools; relating to teachers' contracts; amending
10 K.S.A. 72-5411 and 72-5437 and repealing the existing sections.

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

13 Section 1. K.S.A. 72-5411 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-14 5411. (a) All contracts of employment of teachers in the public schools 15in the state shall continue in full force and effect during good behavior 16 and efficient and competent service rendered by the teacher, and all 17contracts of employment shall be deemed to continue for the next suc-18 ceeding school year unless written notice of intention to terminate a con-19 tract of employment is served by a board of education upon any teacher 20 on or before May June 1. A teacher shall give written notice to the board 21 of education of a school district that the teacher does not desire contin-22 uation of a contract of employment on or before May June 15 or, if ap-23plicable, not later than 15 days after final action is taken by the board of 24education upon termination of professional negotiation absent a binding 25agreement under article 54 of chapter 72 of Kansas Statutes Annotated, 26 whichever is the later date.

(b) Terms of a contract may be changed at any time by mutual con-sent of both a teacher and the board of education of a school district.

29 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 72-5437 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-30 5437. (a) All contracts of employment of teachers, as defined in K.S.A. 31 72-5436, and amendments thereto, except contracts entered into under 32 the provisions of K.S.A. 72-5412a, and amendments thereto, shall be 33 deemed to continue for the next succeeding school year unless written 34 notice of termination or nonrenewal is served as provided in this subsec-35 tion. Written notice to terminate a contract may be served by a board 36 upon any teacher prior to the time the contract has been completed, and 37 written notice of intention to nonrenew a contract shall be served by a 38 board upon any teacher on or before May June 1. A teacher shall give 39 written notice to a board that the teacher does not desire continuation of 40 a contract on or before May June 15 or, if applicable, not later than 15 41 days after final action is taken by the board upon termination of profes-42 sional negotiation absent a binding agreement under article 54 of chapter

43 72 of Kansas Statutes Annotated, whichever is the later date.

(b) Terms of a contract may be changed at any time by mutual con-

sent of both a teacher and a board.

- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 72-5411 and 72-5437 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

publication in the statute book. $\mathbf{5}$