Session of 2010

SENATE BILL No. 542

By Committee on Ways and Means

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AN ACT concerning elections; relating to changing the date of primary elections from April to August; amending K.S.A. 12-1004, 12-1005a, 12 12-1005b, 12-1005c, 12-1036d, 12-1037, 14-1204, 19-3507, 24-412, 25-13 1115, 25-2006, 25-2007, 25-2010, 25-2018, 25-2023, 25-2102, 25-2107, 25-2109, 25-2120, 25-2311, 25-2502, 25-3503, 71-1413 and 71-1414 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 14-201, 25-1122 and 25-2108a 25-1115, 25-2006, 25-2102 and 25-2502 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 12-1004 is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-1004. (a) (1) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), in all cities of the first class with a population of 18,000 or less now governed by the eity-manager act, where commissioners for such cities have heretofore been selected according to existing law, the city commissioners shall be selected hereafter at regular city elections as follows, to wit: Two commissioners shall be elected to hold office until the next regular city election in 1925; one commissioner shall be elected to hold office until the regular election in 1927; all of which commissioners shall be elected at the next regular city election in 1923, the person receiving the largest number of votes at said election shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office last above mentioned.

(2) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), all commissioners elected as provided herein shall hold office until the dates above designated or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. At the regular election in 1925 one commissioner shall be elected to a twoyear term of office and one commissioner shall be elected for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been elected and qual-ified, the person receiving the largest number of votes at such regular city election to be thereby elected to the four-year term of office. Thereafter, at each ensuing regular city election there shall be elected one city commissioner for a two-year term of office and one city commissioner for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been respectively elected and qualified. At each regular city election as last above provided the person receiving the largest number of votes shall thereby

be elected to the four-year term of office as city commissioner.

(b) (1) On and after July 1, 2010, in all cities of the first class with a population of 18,000 or less now governed by the city-manager act, where commissioners for such cities have heretofore been selected according to existing law, the city commissioners shall be selected hereafter at regular city elections as follows: Two commissioners shall be elected to hold office until the next regular city election in 2012; one commissioner shall be elected to hold office until the regular election in 2014; all of which commissioners shall be elected at the next regular city election in 2016, the person receiving the largest number of votes at said election shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office last above mentioned.

(2) All commissioners elected as provided herein shall hold office until the dates above designated or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. At the regular election in 2010 one commissioner shall be elected to a two-year term of office and one commissioner shall be elected for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, the person receiving the largest number of votes at such regular city election to be thereby elected to the four-year term of office. Thereafter, at each ensuing regular city election there shall be elected one city commissioner for a two-year term of office and one city commissioner for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been respectively elected and qualified. At each regular city election as last above provided the person receiving the largest number of votes shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office as city commissioner.

(c) Commissioners elected in 2007 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2010. Commissioners elected in 2009 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2012.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 12-1005a is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-1005a. (a) (1) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), in all cities of the second class having a population in excess of eight thousand 8,000 now governed by the city-manager act, where commissioners for such eities have heretofore been selected according to existing law, the city commissioners shall be selected hereafter at regular city elections as follows, to wit: Two commissioners shall be elected to hold office until the next regular city election in 1927, one commissioner shall be elected to hold office until the regular election in 1929, all of which commissioners shall be elected at the next regular city election in 1925, the person receiving the largest number of votes at said election shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office last above mentioned.

— (2) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), all commissioners elected as provided herein shall hold office until the dates above designated or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. At

the regular election in 1927 one commissioner shall be elected for a two-year term of office and one commissioner shall be elected for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, the person receiving the largest number of votes at such regular city election to be thereby elected to the four-year term of office. Thereafter, at each ensuing regular city election there shall be elected one city commissioner for a two-year term of office and one city commissioner for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been respectively elected and qualified. At each regular city election as last above provided the person receiving the largest number of votes shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office as city commissioner.

(b) (1) On and after July 1, 2010, in all cities of the second class having a population in excess of 8,000 now governed by the city-manager act, where commissioners for such cities have heretofore been selected according to existing law, the city commissioners shall be selected hereafter at regular city elections as follows: Two commissioners shall be elected to hold office until the next regular city election in 2012, one commissioner shall be elected to hold office until the regular election in 2014, all of which commissioners shall be elected at the next regular city election in 2016, the person receiving the largest number of votes at said election shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office last above mentioned.

(2) All commissioners elected as provided herein shall hold office until the dates above designated or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. At the regular election in 2010 one commissioner shall be elected for a two-year term of office and one commissioner shall be elected for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, the person receiving the largest number of votes at such regular city election to be thereby elected to the four-year term of office. Thereafter, at each ensuing regular city election there shall be elected one city commissioner for a two-year term of office and one city commissioner for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been respectively elected and qualified. At each regular city election as last above provided the person receiving the largest number of votes shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office as city commissioner.

—(c) Commissioners elected in 2007 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2010. Commissioners elected in 2009 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2012.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 12-1005b is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-1005b. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), cities of the second class in excess of eight thousand 8,000 population, hereafter adopting the city-manager plan of government, shall select commissioners

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at the first regular city election after the adoption of said city-manager plan in the manner as provided for the selection of commissioners in the 2 year 1925, and for the further election of city commissioners at the second regular city election after the adoption of said city-manager plan in the same manner as provided for year 1927, and also at the regular city elections thereafter, as provided in K.S.A. 12-1005a. 6

(b) On and after July 1, 2010, cities of the second class in excess of 8,000 population, hereafter adopting the city-manager plan of government, shall select commissioners at the first regular city election after the adoption of said city-manager plan in the manner as provided for the selection of commissioners and for the further election of city commissioners at the second regular city election after the adoption of said citymanager plan and also at the regular city elections thereafter as provided in K.S.A. 12-1005a, and amendments thereto.

15 (c) Commissioners elected in 2007 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2010. Commissioners elected in 2009 shall 16 hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2012. 17

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 12-1005c is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-1005c. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), in cities having a population of eight thousand (8,000) 8,000 or less at the time such cities adopt the city-manager plan the terms of office of the commissioners first elected shall be two years. Commissioners elected in April, 1968, shall have terms expiring in 1971. Commissioners elected in April, 1967, shall have terms expiring in 1971.

(b) (1) On and after July 1, 2010, in all cities of the second class having a population in excess of 8,000 now governed by the city-manager act, where commissioners for such cities have heretofore been selected according to existing law, the city commissioners shall be selected hereafter at regular city elections as follows: Two commissioners shall be elected to hold office until the next regular city election in 2012, one commissioner shall be elected to hold office until the regular election in 2014, all of which commissioners shall be elected at the next regular city election in 2016, the person receiving the largest number of votes at said election shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office last above mentioned.

(2) All commissioners elected as provided herein shall hold office until the dates above designated or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. At the regular election in 2010 one commissioner shall be elected for a two-year term of office and one commissioner shall be elected for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, the person receiving the largest number of votes at such regular city election to be thereby elected to the four-year term of office. Thereafter, at each ensuing regular city election there shall be

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1 elected one city commissioner for a two-year term of office and one city
2 commissioner for a four-year term of office, or until their successors shall
3 have been respectively elected and qualified. At each regular city election
4 as last above provided the person receiving the largest number of votes
5 shall thereby be elected to the four-year term of office as city
6 commissioner.

(c) Commissioners elected in 2007 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2010. Commissioners elected in 2009 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2012.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 12-1036d is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-1036d. (a) (1) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), at the first regular city election following the adoption of this act, the councilman elected by the city as a whole, receiving the greatest number of votes shall hold office for a term of four (4) years; the councilman elected by the city as a whole, receiving the second highest number of votes shall hold office for a term of two (2) years; the candidate receiving the highest number of votes for district councilman, in each district, shall be elected for a two-year term. The mayor shall hold office for a term of four (4) years. At all subsequent city elections the term for mayor and councilmenat-large shall be for a period of four (4) years and until a successor has been duly elected and qualified.

(2) The terms of councilmen from districts shall be for a period of two (2) years and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. When there is a vacancy in the office of mayor, the president of the council upon being qualified shall become mayor until the next regular city election and, as the case may be, until a mayor has been duly elected for the unexpired two-year term and has qualified or until a mayor has been duly elected for a full term and has qualified. Provided, That. When the president of council becomes mayor there shall be a vacancy in the city council. A vacancy in the office of councilman shall be filled by the council, as the case may be, until the next regular city election and a councilman has been duly elected for the unexpired two-year term and has qualified, or until the next regular city election and a councilman has been duly elected for a full term and has qualified.

(b) (1) On and after July 1, 2010, at the first regular city election following the adoption of this act, the councilman elected by the city as a whole, receiving the greatest number of votes shall hold office for a term of four years, the councilman elected by the city as a whole, receiving the second highest number of votes shall hold office for a term of two years; the candidate receiving the highest number of votes for district councilman, in each district, shall be elected for a two-year term. The mayor shall hold office for a term of four years. At all subsequent city elections the term for mayor and councilmen-at-large shall be for a period of four years

and until a successor has been duly elected and qualified.

(2) The terms of councilmen from districts shall be for a period of two years and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. When there is a vacancy in the office of mayor, the president of the council upon being qualified shall become mayor until the next regular city election and, as the case may be, until a mayor has been duly elected for the unexpired two-year term and has qualified or until a mayor has been duly elected for a full term and has qualified. When the president of the council becomes mayor there shall be a vacancy in the city council. A vacancy in the office of councilman shall be filled by the council, as the case may be, until the next regular city election and a councilman has been duly elected for the unexpired two-year term and has qualified, or until the next regular city election and a councilman has been duly elected for a full term and has qualified.

— (c) (1)—Any mayor elected in 2007 shall hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2010. Any mayor elected in 2009 shall hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2012.

(2) Any councilman elected in 2007 shall hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2010. Any councilman elected in 2009 shall hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2012.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 12-1037 is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-1037. (a) (1) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), eities of the second class in excess of thirteen thousand five hundred (13,500) 13,500 population having the commission plan of government wherein the question of adopting the city-manager plan of government is to be submitted shall elect three (3) commissioners as now provided by law for cities of the second class in excess of eight thousand (8,000) 8,000 population, except that such city shall elect five (5) commissioners as hereinafter provided if the question of electing five (5) commissioners be submitted pursuant to K.S.A. 12-184, and amendments thereto, to the qualified electors of the city at the same election.

The proposition of electing five (5) commissioners shall be stated substantially as follows as a separate proposition on the ballot:

"Shall the city of _____ elect five commissioners to constitute the governing body of the city in the event that the city shall adopt the city-manager plan?"

Yes No No

— (2)—In the event a majority of electors voting on such proposition vote in favor thereof, five (5) commissioners shall be elected as hereinafter provided, but if a majority of such electors shall vote against such proposition, the city shall thereafter elect three (3) commissioners as provided by K.S.A. 12-1005b and amendments thereto. In the event such city shall adopt the city-manager plan of government and a majority of the qualified electors shall have voted in favor of the election of five (5) commissioners,

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the five (5) commissioners shall be elected as follows: If the city-manager plan is adopted in sufficient time prior to the regular city election, otherwise required to be held in an even-numbered year, the five (5) commissioners shall be elected for terms of one year each and their terms shall expire when their successors shall have been elected and qualified following the regular city election held the succeeding odd year. Thereafter and in the event the city-manager plan shall have been adopted sufficiently prior to the regular city election otherwise required to be held in any odd year, two (2) of the said commissioners shall be elected for terms of four (4) years and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, and three (3) of the said commissioners shall be elected for terms of two (2) years and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified.

(3) At each regular city election held each odd year thereafter, three (3) commissioners shall be elected. The two (2) commissioners receiving the greatest number of votes respectively shall serve terms of four (4) years, and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, and the one commissioner receiving the least number of votes of the three (3) elected shall serve for a term of two (2) years, and until a successor shall have been elected and qualified. In the event any city herein shall become a city of the first class after adopting the city-manager plan of government and shall have elected five (5) commissioners, such city shall continue to elect five (5) commissioners in the manner hereinbefore provided.

(b) (1) On and after July 1, 2010, cities of the second class in excess of 13,500 population having the commission plan of government wherein the question of adopting the city-manager plan of government is to be submitted shall elect three commissioners as now provided by law for cities of the second class in excess of 8,000 population, except that such city shall elect five commissioners as hereinafter provided if the question of electing five commissioners be submitted pursuant to K.S.A. 12-184, and amendments thereto, to the qualified electors of the city at the same

The proposition of electing five commissioners shall be stated substantially as follows as a separate proposition on the ballot:

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(2) In the event a majority of electors voting on such proposition vote in favor thereof, five commissioners shall be elected as hereinafter provided, but if a majority of such electors shall vote against such proposition, the city shall thereafter elect three commissioners as provided by K.S.A. 12-1005b, and amendments thereto. In the event such city shall adopt the

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city-manager plan of government and a majority of the qualified electors shall have voted in favor of the election of five commissioners, the five commissioners shall be elected as follows: Two of the said commissioners shall be elected for terms of four years and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, and three of the said commissioners shall be elected for terms of two years and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified.

(3) At each regular city election held each even-numbered year thereafter, three commissioners shall be elected. The two commissioners receiving the greatest number of votes respectively shall serve terms of four years, and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, and the one commissioner receiving the least number of votes of the three elected shall serve for a term of two years, and until a successor shall have been elected and qualified. In the event any city herein shall become a city of the first class after adopting the city-manager plan of government and shall have elected five commissioners, such city shall continue to elect five commissioners in the manner hereinbefore provided.

— (c)—Any commissioner elected in 2007 shall hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2010. Any commissioner elected in 2009 shall hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2012.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 14-201 is hereby amended to read as follows: 14-201. (a) On and after July 1, 2010, except as provided in K.S.A. 12-1028a, and amendments thereto, there shall be elected on the first Tuesday in April August of each odd-numbered even-numbered year a mayor, council members and city treasurer. Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 12-16,128, and amendments thereto, the mayor shall appoint, by and with the consent of the council, a municipal judge of the municipal court, a city marshal-chief of police, city clerk, city attorney, and may appoint police officers and any other officers deemed necessary. Any officers appointed and confirmed shall hold an initial term of office of not to exceed one year and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Any officers who are reappointed shall hold their offices for a term of one year and until their successors are appointed and qualified. The council shall by ordinance specify the duties and compensation of the office holders, and by ordinance may abolish any office created by the council whenever deemed expedient.

- 37 <u>(b) Except as provided in subsection (c)</u>, the mayor, council members 38 and city treasurer shall hold their offices for a term of two years.
- 39 <u>(c) Any mayor, council member or city treasurer elected in 2009 shall</u> 40 hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2010.
- 41 Sec. 8. K.S.A. 14-1204 is hereby amended to read as follows: 14-
- 42 1204. (a) (1) Except as provided in subsection (b), at the election first
- 43 held in cities of the second class, adopting the provisions of this act, the

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mayor and commissioners shall be elected for four years; and at each election thereafter such officers shall be elected for terms of four years, and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified. The mayor and two commissioners shall constitute the board of commissioners of the city, and the mayor shall be the presiding officer of the board.

— (2) Mayors and commissioners elected in the year 1967 shall have terms expiring in 1971. Mayors and commissioners elected in the year 1968 shall have terms expiring in 1973.

— (b) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (a) to the contrary, on and after July 1, 2010, any mayor or commissioner elected in 2007 shall hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2010. Any mayor or commissioner elected in 2009 shall hold office until such successor is elected and qualified in 2012. Thereafter, each such officer shall be elected for a term of four years and shall hold such respective office until their successor is elected and qualified.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 19-3507 is hereby amended to read as follows: 19-3507. (a) The water district election shall be held in each election precinct, a part or all of which is located within such water district, except that if no other election is being held in a given election precinct on the same date as the water district election, the county election officer may provide one or more convenient voting places where the water district electors of such precinct may vote, which may be a voting place located in another precinct. The county election officer shall designate such voting places and the persons entitled to vote thereat in the election notice. The county election officer shall make a report in writing to the board of county commissioners of such election precincts and voting places, which report shall be filed with the county clerk of the county or counties in which such precincts and voting places are located and an entry thereof made upon the journal of the board or boards of county commissioners of such county or counties and if any change shall be made in such voting precincts and voting places by the county election officer, the same shall in like manner be reported to the board or boards of county commissioners, filed and entered as aforesaid. The polls for any election held under this act shall be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (b) Except as provided in subsection (g), all qualified persons desiring to be voted upon as a member of such board shall on or before 12:00 o'clock 12 noon on the Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April of the year in which the election is being held, which date shall be stated in the publication notice of the election, file with the county election officer, a statement directing such officer to place such person's name on the ballot as a candidate for member of the board of the water district in such election, indicating the number of the position

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for which such person is filing. No candidate shall be permitted to withdraw as a candidate after the deadline for filing such statements of candidacy. There shall be no primary election for members of the water district board. The county election officer shall publish names of all candidates in a newspaper of general circulation within the water district not less than 10 days before such election. The county election officer shall provide for use of voting machines or printed ballots in each election precinct or voting place. Where printed ballots are prepared, the same shall be done at the expense of the water district. The names of candidates for each member position shall be rotated on the ballots in such a manner that each candidate shall be given an equitable opportunity to have such eandidate's name appear first on the ballot. Where the only election being conducted in an election precinct or voting place is the water district election, the cost of providing judges and elerks in such precinct or voting place shall be borne entirely by the water district, but where held in conjunction with other elections, the cost shall be prorated in the manner provided by article 22 of chapter 25 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

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

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

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

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

by the judges and clerks of the election. The list so furnished by the county election officer shall be conclusive at all elections held within the same year that the list is furnished.

(g) Notwithstanding any provision in subsection (b) to the contrary, on and after July 1, 2010, all qualified persons desiring to be voted upon as a member of such board shall on or before 12 noon on the Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in November of the year in which the election is being held, which date shall be stated in the publication notice of the election, file with the county election officer, a statement directing such officer to place such person's name on the ballot as a candidate for member of the board of the water district in such election, indicating the number of the position for which such person is filing.

— Sec. 10.—K.S.A. 24-412 is hereby amended to read as follows: 24-412. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an election to choose three directors in each district as their successors, shall be held on the first Tuesday in April, 1983, and an election shall be held each four years thereafter, on the first Tuesday in April, to choose directors. Directors elected in any district in 1980 or 1981 shall hold their office until successors are elected and qualified at the election in April, 1983.

— (b) On and after July 1, 2010, an election to choose three directors in each district as their successors, shall be held on the first Tuesday in November, 2010, and an election shall be held each four years thereafter, on the first Tuesday in November, to choose directors. Any director elected in any district in 2007 shall hold such office until such successor is elected and qualified. Any director elected in any district in 2009 shall hold such office until such successor is elected and qualified.

Sec. 11. Section 1. K.S.A. 25-1115 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-1115. (a) "General election" means the election held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November of even-numbered years, the elections held for officers on the first Tuesday in April, and in the case of special elections of any officers to fill vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.

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

Sec. 12. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 25-1122 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-1122. (a) Any registered voter may file with the county election officer where such person is a resident, or where such person is authorized by law to vote as a former precinct resident, an application for

an advance voting ballot. The signed application shall be transmitted only to the county election officer by personal delivery, mail, facsimile or as otherwise provided by law.

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

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

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

- (e) Applications for advance voting ballots to be transmitted to the voter by mail shall be filed only at the following times:
- (1) For the primary election occurring on the first Tuesday in August
 in even-numbered years, between April 1 of such year and the last business day of the week preceding such primary election.
- 42 <u>(2)</u> For the general election occurring on the Tuesday succeeding the 43 first Monday in November in even-numbered years, between 90 days

prior to such election and the last business day of the week preceding
 such general election.

(3) For the primary election held five weeks preceding the first Tuesday in April, between January 1 of the year of such election and the last business day of the week preceding such primary election.

(4) For the general election occurring on the first Tuesday in April, between January 1 of the year of such election and the last business day of the week preceding such general election.

(5) For question submitted elections occurring on the date of a primary or general election, the same as is provided for ballots for election of officers at such election.

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

19 — (7) (5) For any special election of officers, at such time as is specified 20 by the secretary of state.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(i) If a person on the permanent advance voting list fails to vote in two consecutive general elections held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year, the county election officer may mail a notice to such voter. Such notice shall inform the voter that the voter's name will be removed from the permanent advance

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voting list unless the voter renews the application for permanent advance 2 voting status within 30 days after the notice is mailed. If the voter fails to 3 renew such application, the county election officer shall remove the voter's name from the permanent advance voting list. Failure to renew 4 5 the application for permanent advance voting status shall not result in 6 removal of the voter's name from the voter registration list.

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

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

Sec. 13. 2. K.S.A. 25-2006 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2006. (a) "General election" means the election held for school officers on the first Tuesday in April in any odd-numbered year succeeding the first Monday in November of even-numbered years, and in the case of special elections of any school officers to fill vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.

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

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

- "County election officer" means:
- The election commissioner of the home county of the school distriet if such county has an election commissioner,
- 34 - (2) the county elerk of the home county of the school district if the 35 county does not have an election commissioner,
- (3) the county clerk (or the election commissioner if there is one) of 36 37 the county in which all or the greater part of the population is located in 38 the ease of a nonunified school district. In the event that doubt exists 39 concerning which public officer is the county election officer under this 40 subpart, the secretary of state shall specify such officer and such speci-41 fication shall be conclusive.
- 42 (e) "Filing deadline" means the hour, date or time after which it is 43 provided by law no person may become a candidate for election to public

office; for school elections the filing deadline is 12:00 o'clock 12 noon on the Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April of any odd-numbered year November of any even-numbered year.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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is to serve, (5) the time of opening and closing of polls. Description of 2 areas shall be in such terms as may be determined by the county election 3 officer.

- (f) Notice of any question submitted election of any school district 4 shall be made in the manner provided by K.S.A. 10-120, and amendments 5 thereto. The notice shall state (1) the name of the school district, (2) the 6 date of the election, (3) the amount of bonds to be issued, if a bond election, (4) the proposition to be voted upon, (5) the hours of opening and closing of the polls, (6) the voting place or places and the area each voting place is to serve, and (7) any other information specifically required by law. Description of areas shall be in the terms determined by the 12 county election officer.

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

(b) Board members elected in 2007 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2010. Board members elected in 2009 shall hold office until successors are elected and qualified in 2012.

Sec. 18. 3. K.S.A. 25-2102 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2102. (a) "General election" means the election held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November of even-numbered years, the elections held for officers on the first Tuesday in April, and in the case of special elections of any officers to fill vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.

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

Sec. 19. K.S.A. 25-2107 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2107. On and after July 1, 2010, the general election of city officers shall be held on the first Tuesday in April November of an even-numbered year. Except as otherwise provided by law or as provided by charter ordinance passed after April 30, 1968, pursuant to article 12, section 5, of the constitution of Kansas, on and after July 1, 2010, every city shall have

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an election of city officers in odd-numbered even-numbered years only. and the terms of city officers shall be two (2) years: Provided, however, That. The provisions of this section shall not invalidate, repeal or otherwise affect any charter ordinance of any city of the third class having a population of not less than one thousand five hundred (1,500) 1,500 nor more than two thousand (2,000) 2,000 located in a county having a pop-ulation of not less than fifty thousand (50,000) 50,000 nor more than one hundred thousand (100,000) 100,000, which ordinance had become ef-feetive prior to April 30, 1968.

— Sec. 20. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 25-2108a is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2108a. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), there shall be a primary election of city officers on the Tuesday preceding by five weeks the first Tuesday in April August of every year that such city has a city election, except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section.

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

—Sec. 21. K.S.A. 25-2109 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2109. The filing deadline for all city elections shall be 12:00 o'clock 12 noon of the Tuesday preceding by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April November of an even-numbered year.

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

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

(b) (1) Each city official the starting date of whose term of office is governed by this section and who is elected in 2009 shall hold office until the first regular meeting of the governing body following the certification of the election in 2010.

- 1 (2) The term of each city official the starting date of whose term of
 2 office is governed by this section and who is elected in 2010 shall com3 mence with and include the first regular meeting of the governing body
 4 following the certification of the election.
- See. 23. K.S.A. 25-2311 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25 2311. (a) County election officers shall provide for the registration of voters at one or more places on all days except the following:
- 8 (1) Days when the main offices of the county government are closed 9 for business, except as is otherwise provided by any county election officer 10 under the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2312 and amendments thereto;
- 12 (2)—days when the main offices of the city government are closed for 12 business, in the ease of deputy county election officers who are city elerks 13 except as is otherwise provided by any county election officer under the 14 provisions of K.S.A. 25-2312 and amendments thereto;
- 15 (3) the 14 days preceding the day of primary and general state elections;
- 17 (4)—the 14 days preceding the day of primary city and school elections, 18—if either has a primary;
- 19 <u>(5)</u> the 14 days preceding each first Tuesday in April of odd-num-20 bered years November of even-numbered years, being the day of city and 21 school general elections;
- 22 <u>(6)</u> the 14 days preceding the day of any election other than one specified in paragraphs (3), (4) and (5) of this subsection; and
- 24 (7) the day of any primary or general election or any question sub-25 mitted election.
- (b) For the purposes of this section in counting days that registration
 books are to be closed, all of the days including Sunday and legal holidays
 shall be counted.
- (e) The secretary of state shall notify every county election officer of
 the dates when registration shall be closed preceding primary and general
 state, city and school elections. The days so specified by the secretary of
 state shall be conclusive. Such notice shall be given by the secretary of
 state by mail at least 60 days preceding every primary and general state,
 city and school election.
- (d) The last days before closing of registration books as directed by the secretary of state under subsection (c) of this section, county election officers shall provide for registration of voters during regular business hours, during the noon hours and at other than regular business hours upon such days as the county election officers deem necessary. The last three business days before closing of registration books prior to state primary and general elections, county election officers may provide for registration of voters until 9:00 p.m. in cities of the first and second class.
- 43 (e) County election officers shall accept and process applications re-

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

- (f) The secretary of state may adopt rules and regulations interpreting the provisions of this section and specifying the days when registration shall be open, days when registration shall be closed, and days when it is optional with the county election officer for registration to be open or closed.
- (g) Before each primary and general election held in even-numbered years, and at times and in a form prescribed by the secretary of state, each county election officer shall certify to the secretary of state the number of registered voters in each precinct of the county as shown by the registration books in the office of such county election officer.
- Sec. 24.4. K.S.A. 25-2502 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2502. (a) "General election" means the election held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November of even-numbered years, the elections held for officers on the first Tuesday in April, and in the case of special elections of any officers to fill vacancies, the election at which any such officer is finally elected.
- (b) "Primary election" means the election held on the first Tuesday in August second Tuesday in September of even-numbered years, the election held five weeks preceding the election on the first Tuesday in April, and any other preliminary election at which part of the candidates for special election to any national, state, county, township, city or school office are eliminated by the process of the election but at which no officer is finally elected.
- See. 25. K.S.A. 25-3503 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-3503. (a) In the event that any vacancy occurs to which this act applies, and such occurrence is not more than ninety (90) 90 days and not less than thirty (30) 30 days before any primary election of state officers, the election provided for in this act shall be held on the same date as the primary election of state officers.
- (b) In the event that any vacancy occurs to which this act applies, and such occurrence is not more than ninety (90) 90 days and not less than thirty (30) 30 days before any regular primary or general election of city and school officers occurring in an odd-numbered even-numbered year, the election provided for in this act shall be held within such ninety (90) 90 days and on the same date as such primary or general election.
- 42 (e) In the event that any vacancy occurs to which this act applies, and 43 such occurrence is not more than thirty (30) 30 days before any primary

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election of state officers and before the general election of state officers, at such general election votes east for the office of congressman in the district in which such vacancy has occurred shall be deemed to be east to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term, as well as for the election for the next regular term. The governor shall proclaim the date of the election to be the same as the general election of state officers.

—(d)—In the event that any vacancy occurs to which this act applies, on or after the date of any general election of state officers and before the term of office in which the vacancy has occurred expires, votes east for the office of congressman in the district in which such vacancy occurs shall be deemed to have been cast to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term, as well as for election for the next regular term. The governor's approval of this act shall be deemed to proclaim that every regular election of a representative to the United States congress shall be an election for the unexpired term if any should occur, as well as election for the next regular term. In eases to which subsection (e) of this section or this subsection applies, the person elected for the next regular term shall be deemed to have been elected for the balance of the unexpired term also. Sec. 26. K.S.A. 71-1413 is hereby amended to read as follows: 71-1413. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), elections of trustees of community colleges shall be conducted by the county election officer of the county in which the main campus of the college is located. In any college district having territory in more than one county, the county election officers of all such counties shall cooperate with the county election officer of the county in which the main campus is located, and upon establishing any new community college or adding territory to any of the community college districts, the state board, in accordance with this section, shall specify the county in which the main campus shall be located for the purpose of this section. General community college elections shall be held on the first Tuesday in April of each odd-numbered year. Any primary community college election shall be held on the Tuesday preeeding by five weeks the first Tuesday in April of odd-numbered years. On and after July 1, 2010, general community college elections shall be held on the first Tuesday in November of each even-numbered

shall be held on the first Tuesday in November of each even-numbered year. Any primary community college election shall be held on the Tuesday preceding by five weeks the first Tuesday in August of each even-numbered year.

Sec. 27. K.S.A. 71-1414 is hereby amended to read as follows: 71-1414. (a) (1) In college districts where a district method of election is in effect, a person may become a candidate for election to trustee of a community college by any one of the following methods:

(A) Any person who is an elector of any member district may petition to be a candidate for member from the member district in which such

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person resides. Any such person shall file with the election officer a petition for such person's candidacy signed by not less than 50 electors
 residing in such person's member district.

- (B) Any person who is an elector of any member district may become a candidate for member from the member district in which such person resides by filing with the election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of \$5.
- 6 (C) If a community college adopts and implements a seven member board of trustees plan, any person who is an elector of the college district may petition to be a candidate for the at-large member position. Any such person shall file with the county election officer a petition for such candidacy signed by not less than 50 electors residing in such college district.
 - (D) If a community college adopts and implements a seven member board of trustees plan, any person who is an elector of the college district may become a candidate for the at-large member position by filing with the county election officer a declaration of intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in the amount of \$5.
 - (2) Every petition or declaration of intent filed under this subsection must specify the member position for which the person is a candidate.
 - (b) In college districts where the election-at-large method of election is in effect, a person may become a candidate for election to trustee of a community college by either one of the following methods:
- (1) Any person who is an elector of the college district may petition
 to be a candidate for trustee. Any such person shall file with the election
 officer a petition for such person's candidacy signed by not less than 50 electors residing in the college district.
- 27 (2) Any person who is an elector of the college district may become 28 a candidate for trustee by filing with the election officer a declaration of 29 intent to be such a candidate, and payment therewith of a filing fee in 30 the amount of \$5:
 - (c) Except as provided in subsection (d), every petition or declaration of intent filed under this section must be filed on or before 12 o'clock 12 noon on the Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in April of any odd-numbered year. No such petition or declaration shall be filed sooner than the second Tuesday of the December which next precedes the community college election.
 - (d) On and after July 1, 2010, every petition or declaration of intent filed under this section must be filed on or before 12 noon on the Tuesday which precedes by 10 weeks the first Tuesday in August of any evennumbered year. No such petition or declaration shall be filed sooner than the second Tuesday of the December which next precedes the community college election.
- 43 Sec. 28. 5. K.S.A. 12-1004, 12-1005a, 12-1005b, 12-1005c, 12-1036d,

- 1 12-1037, 14-1204, 19-3507, 24-412, 25-1115, 25-2006, 25-2007, 25-2010,
- 2 25-2018, 25-2023, 25-2102, 25-2107, 25-2109, 25-2120, 25-2311, 25-
- 3 2502, 25-3503, 71-1413 and 71-1414 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 14-201, 25-
- 4 1122 and 25-2108a **25-1115, 25-2006, 25-2102 and 25-2502** are
- 5 hereby repealed.
- 6 Sec. 29. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after
- 7 its publication in the statute book.