

SENATE BILL No. 196

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning elections; relating to campaign finance; amending
K.S.A. 25-4142 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 25-4142 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-4142. K.S.A. 25-4119e, 25-4119f, 25-4119g, 25-4142 through 25-4187 and ~~K.S.A.~~ 25-4153b and section 2, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the campaign finance act.

New Sec. 2. (a) No officer or employee of the state of Kansas, any county, any unified school district having 35,000 or more pupils regularly enrolled in the preceding school year, any city of the first class or the board of public utilities of the unified government of Wyandotte county/ Kansas City, Kansas, responsible for the disbursement of funds in payment of wages or salaries shall withhold or divert a portion of an employee's wages or salaries for contributions to political committees for use as political contributions except upon the written request of the employee. The request shall be made on a form which contains a clear and unambiguous statement that the employee may choose not to make such request for deduction and may opt to not return the form to the employer. There shall be an open space or blank line on the form where the amount of the deduction is to be entered. Only the employee may enter the amount to be deducted. The form shall be signed by the employee in order to be valid. The request shall be valid for no more than 12 months from the date it is signed.

(b) A copy of the form to be used by any office, agency, department or division of any governmental entity specified in subsection (a) shall file a blank copy of such form in the office of the attorney general and with the commission.

New Sec. 3. (a) No officer or employee of any municipality or political subdivision of the state described in K.S.A. 25-901, and amendments thereto, responsible for the disbursement of funds in payment of wages or salaries shall withhold or divert a portion of an employee's wages or salaries for contributions to political committees or for use as political contributions except upon the written request of the employee. The request shall be made on a form which contains a clear and unambiguous

1 statement that the employee may choose not to make such request for
2 deduction and may opt to not return the form to the employer. There
3 shall be an open space or blank line on the form where the amount of
4 the deduction is to be entered. Only the employee may enter the amount
5 to be deducted. The form shall be signed by the employee in order to be
6 valid. The request shall be valid for no more than 12 months from the
7 date it is signed.

8 (b) A copy of the form to be used by any office, agency, department
9 or division of any governmental entity specified in subsection (a) shall file
10 a blank copy of such form in the office of the county attorney and with
11 the county election officer of the county in which such entity is located.

12 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 25-4142 is hereby repealed.

13 Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
14 publication in the statute book.

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