

SENATE BILL No. 131

By Committee on Elections and Local Government

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10 AN ACT concerning authorized poll agents; pertaining to the time of
11 authorization; amending K.S.A. 25-3005a and repealing the existing
12 section.

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

15 Section 1. K.S.A. 25-3005a is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
16 3005a. (a) As used in this act “authorized poll agent” means any one of
17 the following persons:

- 18 (1) Chairperson of county party committee;
19 (2) chairpersons of committees concerned with question submitted
20 elections;
21 (3) chairperson of state party committee;
22 (4) any candidate;
23 (5) any precinct committeeman or precinct committeewoman;
24 (6) any write-in candidate who has filed an affidavit of write-in pur-
25 suant to K.S.A. 25-305, and amendments thereto;
26 (7) any person appointed as provided in this section by any of the
27 persons specified in this subsection.

28 (b) Every person appointed to be an authorized poll agent under
29 authority of this act shall be so appointed in writing by the person making
30 such appointment. *No person shall be appointed to be an authorized poll*
31 *agent after 12:00 noon on the ~~Friday~~ **second business day** preceding the*
32 *election **or the second business day preceding the opening of an ad-***
33 ***vance voting station.** Such written appointment shall be **filed with the***
34 ***county election officer on or before 12:00 noon on the second busi-***
35 ***ness day preceding the election day or the second business day pre-***
36 ***ceding the opening of an advance voting station. A copy of such***
37 ***appointment shall be** carried by the authorized poll agent at all times
38 such person is acting as such agent and shall be displayed upon demand
39 of any member of any election board or any other election officer. Every
40 appointment of an authorized poll agent shall be made in such form as is
41 approved by the secretary of state. The number of authorized poll agents
42 in each voting place at any one time appointed by any of the following
43 shall be limited to the number indicated:*

- 1 (1) State and county chairpersons, one;
- 2 (2) candidates, not to exceed one each;
- 3 (3) precinct committeemen and committeewomen, one each;
- 4 (4) the chairperson of each committee or organization concerned
- 5 with any election on a question submitted, one each;
- 6 (5) write-in candidates who have filed an affidavit or write-in pursuant
- 7 to K.S.A. 25-305, and amendments thereto, one each.
- 8 (c) When any candidate or any precinct committeeman or precinct
- 9 committeewoman is acting as an authorized poll agent, such person shall
- 10 carry identification which shall be supplied by the county election officer.
- 11 Such identification shall indicate the authority by which such person is
- 12 an authorized poll agent, and the same shall be in such form as is approved
- 13 by the secretary of state. Whenever an authorized poll agent is required
- 14 to carry identification under the provisions of this subsection such agent
- 15 shall display the same upon demand of any member of any election board
- 16 or any other election officer.
- 17 (d) The provisions of this section shall apply to all elections.
- 18 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-3005a is hereby repealed.
- 19 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 20 publication in the statute book.