

## HOUSE BILL No. 2871

By Representative Horst

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9 AN ACT concerning technical schools and colleges; relating to accredi-  
10 tation deadline; amending K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-4479 and repealing  
11 the existing section.  
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13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

14 Section 1. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-4479 is hereby amended to read as  
15 follows: 72-4479. (a) *Unless an extension is granted as provided by sub-*  
16 *section (c), on or before July 1, 2008, the governing bodies of the north-*  
17 *east Kansas technical college, Kansas City area technical school, Kaw area*  
18 *technical school, Salina area technical school and southwest Kansas tech-*  
19 *nical school shall submit to the state board of regents a plan to merge or*  
20 *affiliate with a postsecondary educational institution or become an ac-*  
21 *credited technical college with an independent governing board.*

22 (b) As used in this section:

23 (1) “Postsecondary educational institution” means a technical college,  
24 community college, municipal university or a state educational institution.

25 (2) “Technical college”, “community college”, “municipal university”  
26 and “state educational institution” have the meanings ascribed thereto by  
27 K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto.

28 (c) *Upon request of the governing body of a technical school or tech-*  
29 *nical college specified in subsection (a), the state board of regents may*  
30 *extend the July 1, 2008, deadline imposed under subsection (a) if the state*  
31 *board determines such technical college is making satisfactory progress*  
32 *toward completing the requirements of subsection (a).*

33 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-4479 is hereby repealed.

34 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
35 publication in the statute book.