

CHAPTER 70

SENATE BILL No. 519

(Amended by Chapters 151 and 155)

AN ACT concerning courts; relating to electronic communication and payment; amending K.S.A. 19-4716, 20-365, 22-2502, 22-2504 and 59-2203 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-2118, 28-172a and 38-2305 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-2118 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-2118. (a) A person charged with a traffic infraction shall, except as provided in subsection (b), appear at the place and time specified in the notice to appear. If the person enters an appearance, waives right to trial, pleads guilty or no contest, the fine shall be no greater than that specified in the uniform fine schedule in subsection (c) and court costs shall be taxed as provided by law.

(b) Prior to the time specified in the notice to appear, a person charged with a traffic infraction may enter a written appearance, waive right to trial, plead guilty or no contest and pay the fine for the violation as specified in the uniform fine schedule in subsection (c) and court costs provided by law. Payment may be made ~~by mail or in person and may be by personal check in any manner accepted by the court.~~ The traffic citation shall not have been complied with if ~~a check~~ the payment is not honored for any reason, or if the fine and court costs are not paid in full. When a person charged with a traffic infraction makes payment without executing a written waiver of right to trial and plea of guilty or no contest, the payment shall be deemed such an appearance, waiver of right to trial and plea of no contest.

(c) The following uniform fine schedule shall apply uniformly throughout the state but shall not limit the fine which may be imposed following a court appearance, except an appearance made for the purpose of pleading and payment as permitted by subsection (a). The description of offense contained in the following uniform fine schedule is for reference only and is not a legal definition.

<i>Description of Offense</i>	<i>Statute</i>	<i>Fine</i>
Refusal to submit to a preliminary breath test	8-1012	\$90
Unsafe speed for prevailing conditions	8-1557	\$60
Exceeding maximum speed limit; or speeding in zone posted by the state department of transportation; or speeding in locally posted zone	8-1558 to 8-1560 8-1560a or 8-1560b	1-10 mph over the limit, \$30 11-20 mph over the limit, \$30 plus \$6 per mph over 10 mph over the limit; 21-30 mph over the limit, \$90 plus \$9 per mph over 20 mph over the limit; 31 and more mph over the limit, \$180 plus \$15 per mph over 30 mph over the limit;
Disobeying traffic control device	8-1507	\$60
Violating traffic control signal	8-1508	\$60
Violating pedestrian control signal	8-1509	\$30
Violating flashing traffic signals	8-1510	\$60
Violating lane-control signal	8-1511	\$60
Unauthorized sign, signal, marking or device	8-1512	\$30
Driving on left side of roadway	8-1514	\$60
Failure to keep right to pass oncoming vehicle	8-1515	\$60
Improper passing; increasing speed when passed	8-1516	\$60
Improper passing on right	8-1517	\$60
Passing on left with insufficient clearance	8-1518	\$60
Driving on left side where curve, grade, intersection railroad crossing, or obstructed view	8-1519	\$60
Driving on left in no-passing zone	8-1520	\$60
Unlawful passing of stopped emergency vehicle	8-1520a	\$60
Driving wrong direction on one-way road	8-1521	\$60
Improper driving on laned roadway	8-1522	\$60
Following too close	8-1523	\$60
Improper crossover on divided highway	8-1524	\$30
Failure to yield right-of-way at uncontrolled intersection	8-1526	\$60
Failure to yield to approaching vehicle when turning left	8-1527	\$60
Failure to yield at stop or yield sign	8-1528	\$60

Failure to yield from private road or driveway	8-1529	\$60
Failure to yield to emergency vehicle	8-1530	\$180
Failure to yield to pedestrian or vehicle working on roadway	8-1531	\$90
Failure to comply with restrictions in road construction zone	8-1531a	\$30
Disobeying pedestrian traffic control device	8-1532	\$30
Failure to yield to pedestrian in crosswalk; pedestrian suddenly entering roadway; passing vehicle stopped for pedestrian at crosswalk	8-1533	\$60
Improper pedestrian crossing	8-1534	\$30
Failure to exercise due care in regard to pedestrian	8-1535	\$30
Improper pedestrian movement in crosswalk	8-1536	\$30
Improper use of roadway by pedestrian	8-1537	\$30
Soliciting ride or business on roadway	8-1538	\$30
Driving through safety zone	8-1539	\$30
Failure to yield to pedestrian on sidewalk	8-1540	\$30
Failure of pedestrian to yield to emergency vehicle	8-1541	\$30
Failure to yield to blind pedestrian	8-1542	\$30
Pedestrian disobeying bridge or railroad signal	8-1544	\$30
Improper turn or approach	8-1545	\$60
Improper "U" turn	8-1546	\$60
Unsafe starting of stopped vehicle	8-1547	\$30
Unsafe turning or stopping, failure to give proper signal; using turn signal unlawfully	8-1548	\$60
Improper method of giving notice of intention to turn	8-1549	\$30
Improper hand signal	8-1550	\$30
Failure to stop or obey railroad crossing signal	8-1551	\$180
Failure to stop at railroad crossing stop sign	8-1552	\$120
Certain hazardous vehicles failure to stop at railroad crossing	8-1553	\$180
Improper moving of heavy equipment at railroad crossing	8-1554	\$60
Vehicle emerging from alley, private roadway, building or driveway	8-1555	\$60
Improper passing of school bus; improper use of school bus signals	8-1556	\$300
Improper passing of church or day-care bus; improper use of signals	8-1556a	\$180
Impeding normal traffic by slow speed	8-1561	\$30
Speeding on motor-driven cycle	8-1562	\$60
Speeding in certain vehicles or on posted bridge	8-1563	\$30
Improper stopping, standing or parking on roadway	8-1569	\$30
Parking, standing or stopping in prohibited area	8-1571	\$30
Improper parking	8-1572	\$30
Unattended vehicle	8-1573	\$30
Improper backing	8-1574	\$30
Driving on sidewalk	8-1575	\$30
Driving with view or driving mechanism obstructed	8-1576	\$30
Unsafe opening of vehicle door	8-1577	\$30
Riding in house trailer	8-1578	\$30
Improper driving in defiles, canyons, or on grades	8-1579	\$30
Coasting	8-1580	\$30
Following fire apparatus too closely	8-1581	\$60
Driving over fire hose	8-1582	\$30
Putting glass, etc., on highway	8-1583	\$90
Driving into intersection, crosswalk, or crossing without sufficient space on other side	8-1584	\$30
Improper operation of snowmobile on highway	8-1585	\$30
Parental responsibility of child riding bicycle	8-1586	\$30
Not riding on bicycle seat; too many persons on bicycle	8-1588	\$30
Clinging to other vehicle	8-1589	\$30
Improper riding of bicycle on roadway	8-1590	\$30
Carrying articles on bicycle; one hand on handlebars	8-1591	\$30
Improper bicycle lamps, brakes or reflectors	8-1592	\$30
Improper operation of motorcycle; seats; passengers, bundles	8-1594	\$30
Improper operation of motorcycle on laned roadway	8-1595	\$60
Motorcycle clinging to other vehicle	8-1596	\$30
Improper motorcycle handlebars or passenger equipment	8-1597	\$60

Motorcycle helmet and eye-protection requirements	8-1598	\$30
Unlawful riding on vehicle	8-1578a	\$60
Unlawful operation of all-terrain vehicle	8-15,100	\$60
Unlawful operation of low-speed vehicle	8-15,101	\$60
Littering	8-15,102	\$100
Disobeying school crossing guard	8-15,103	\$60
Unlawful operation of micro utility truck	8-15,106	\$60
Failure to remove vehicles in accidents	8-15,107	\$60
Unlawful operation of golf cart	8-15,108	\$60
Unlawful operation of work-site utility vehicle	8-15,109	\$60
Equipment offenses that are not misdemeanors	8-1701	\$60
Driving without lights when needed	8-1703	\$30
Defective headlamps	8-1705	\$30
Defective tail lamps	8-1706	\$30
Defective reflector	8-1707	\$30
Improper stop lamp or turn signal	8-1708	\$30
Improper lighting equipment on certain vehicles	8-1710	\$30
Improper lamp color on certain vehicles	8-1711	\$30
Improper mounting of reflectors and lamps on certain vehicles	8-1712	\$30
Improper visibility of reflectors and lamps on certain vehicles	8-1713	\$30
No lamp or flag on projecting load	8-1715	\$60
Improper lamps on parked vehicle	8-1716	\$30
Improper lights, lamps, reflectors and emblems on farm tractors or slow-moving vehicles	8-1717	\$30
Improper lamps and equipment on implements of husbandry, road machinery or animal-drawn vehicles	8-1718	\$30
Unlawful use of spot, fog, or auxiliary lamp	8-1719	\$30
Improper lamps or lights on emergency vehicle	8-1720	\$30
Improper stop or turn signal	8-1721	\$30
Improper vehicular hazard warning lamp	8-1722	\$30
Unauthorized additional lighting equipment	8-1723	\$30
Improper multiple-beam lights	8-1724	\$30
Failure to dim headlights	8-1725	\$60
Improper single-beam headlights	8-1726	\$30
Improper speed with alternate lighting	8-1727	\$30
Improper number of driving lamps	8-1728	\$30
Unauthorized lights and signals	8-1729	\$30
Improper school bus lighting equipment and warning devices	8-1730	\$30
Unauthorized lights and devices on church or day-care bus	8-1730a	\$30
Improper lights on highway construction or maintenance vehicles	8-1731	\$30
Defective brakes	8-1734	\$30
Defective or improper use of horn or warning device	8-1738	\$30
Defective muffler	8-1739	\$30
Defective mirror	8-1740	\$30
Defective wipers; obstructed windshield or windows	8-1741	\$30
Improper tires	8-1742	\$30
Improper flares or warning devices	8-1744	\$30
Improper use of vehicular hazard warning lamps and devices	8-1745	\$30
Improper air-conditioning equipment	8-1747	\$30
Improper safety belt or shoulder harness	8-1749	\$30
Improper wide-based single tires	8-1742b	\$60
Improper compression release engine braking system	8-1761	\$60
Defective motorcycle headlamp	8-1801	\$30
Defective motorcycle tail lamp	8-1802	\$30
Defective motorcycle reflector	8-1803	\$30
Defective motorcycle stop lamps and turn signals	8-1804	\$30
Defective multiple-beam lighting	8-1805	\$30
Improper road-lighting equipment on motor-driven cycles	8-1806	\$30
Defective motorcycle or motor-driven cycle brakes	8-1807	\$30
Improper performance ability of brakes	8-1808	\$30
Operating motorcycle with disapproved braking system	8-1809	\$30
Defective horn, muffler, mirrors or tires	8-1810	\$30
Unlawful statehouse parking	75-4510a	\$15

Exceeding gross weight of vehicle or combination	8-1909	Pounds Overweight up to 1000 ..... \$25 1001 to 2000 ..... 3¢ per pound 2001 to 5000 ..... 5¢ per pound 5001 to 7500 ..... 7¢ per pound 7501 and over .. 10¢ per pound
Exceeding gross weight on any axle or tandem, triple or quad axles	8-1908	Pounds Overweight up to 1000 ..... \$25 1001 to 2000 ..... 3¢ per pound 2001 to 5000 ..... 5¢ per pound 5001 to 7500 ..... 7¢ per pound 7501 and over .. 10¢ per pound
Failure to obtain proper registration, clearance or to have current certification	66-1324	\$272
Insufficient liability insurance for motor carriers	66-1,128 or 66-1314	\$122
Failure to obtain interstate motor fuel tax authorization	79-34,122	\$122
No authority as private or common carrier	66-1,111	\$122
Violation of motor carrier safety rules and regulations, except for violations specified in subsection (b)(2) of K.S.A. 66-1,130, and amendments thereto	66-1,129	\$100

(d) Traffic offenses classified as traffic infractions by this section shall be classified as ordinance traffic infractions by those cities adopting ordinances prohibiting the same offenses. A schedule of fines for all ordinance traffic infractions shall be established by the municipal judge in the manner prescribed by K.S.A. 12-4305, and amendments thereto. Such fines may vary from those contained in the uniform fine schedule contained in subsection (c).

(e) Fines listed in the uniform fine schedule contained in subsection (c) shall be doubled if a person is convicted of a traffic infraction, which is defined as a moving violation in accordance with rules and regulations adopted pursuant to K.S.A. 8-249, and amendments thereto, committed within any road construction zone as defined in K.S.A. 8-1458a, and amendments thereto.

(f) For a second violation of K.S.A. 8-1908 or 8-1909, and amendments thereto, within two years after a prior conviction of K.S.A. 8-1908 or 8-1909, and amendments thereto, such person, upon conviction shall be fined 1½ times the applicable amount from one, but not both, of the schedules listed in the uniform fine schedule contained in subsection (c). For a third violation of K.S.A. 8-1908 or 8-1909, and amendments thereto, within two years, after two prior convictions of K.S.A. 8-1908 or 8-1909, and amendments thereto, such person, upon conviction shall be fined two times the applicable amount from one, but not both, of the schedules listed in the uniform fine schedule contained in subsection (c). For a fourth and each succeeding violation of K.S.A. 8-1908 or 8-1909, and amendments thereto, within two years after three prior convictions of K.S.A. 8-1908 or 8-1909, and amendments thereto, such person, upon conviction shall be fined 2½ times the applicable amount from one, but not both, of the schedules listed in the uniform fine schedule contained in subsection (c).

(g) Fines listed in the uniform fine schedule contained in subsection (c) relating to exceeding the maximum speed limit, shall be doubled if a person is convicted of exceeding the maximum speed limit in a school zone authorized under subsection (a)(4) of K.S.A. 8-1560, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 19-4716 is hereby amended to read as follows: 19-4716. (a) The board of county commissioners shall establish a schedule of fines which shall be imposed for violations of county codes and resolutions. Any fine established shall be within the minimum and maximum allowable fines established by county resolutions for such offenses by the board of county commissioners.

(b) A person charged with the violation of a county code or resolution contained in a schedule of fines established under subsection (a) shall, except as provided in subsection (c), appear at the place and time specified in the notice to appear. If the person enters an appearance, waives right to trial, pleads guilty or no contest, the fine shall be no greater than that specified in the schedule.

(c) Prior to the time specified in the notice to appear, a person charged with the violation of a county code or resolution contained in a schedule of fines established under subsection (a) may enter an

appearance, waive right to trial, plead guilty or no contest and pay the fine for the violation as specified in the schedule. At the election of the person charged, such appearance, waiver, plea and payment may be made by ~~mail or in person and payment may be by personal check~~ *any means accepted by the court*. The complaint shall not have been complied with if a ~~check~~ *payment* is not honored for any reason, or the fine is not paid in full prior to the time specified in the notice to appear. When a person charged with violating a county code or resolution on a schedule of fines makes payment without executing a written waiver of right to trial and plea of guilty or no contest, the payment shall be deemed such an appearance, waiver of right to trial and plea of no contest.

The judge may authorize the clerk of the district court or some other person to accept by mail ~~or~~, in person *or other means as ordered by the court*, such voluntary appearance, plea of guilty or no contest and payment of the fine imposed by the schedule.

The schedule of fines and persons authorized to accept such pleas shall be conspicuously displayed in the office where such voluntary appearance, plea of guilty and payment of fine occurs.

(d) No person who violates a county code or resolution and is prosecuted under this code shall be imprisoned for such violation.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 20-365 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-365. Records and judicial proceedings requiring the attestation of the clerk of the district court may, upon order of the chief judge of such court, be authenticated by the clerk by the use of a facsimile signature in lieu of the clerk's manual signature. The facsimile signature shall be a reproduction by engraving, imprinting, stamping or other means of the manual signature of the clerk. The clerk shall file with the secretary of state such clerk's manual signature and facsimile signature certified by such clerk under oath. Upon compliance with these provisions by the clerk, such clerk's facsimile signature has the same legal effect as such clerk's manual signature. *Upon appropriate supreme court rule, an electronic signature of the clerk may be authorized and has the same legal effect as a manual signature.*

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 22-2502 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22-2502. (a) A search warrant shall be issued only upon the oral or written statement, including those conveyed or received by ~~telefacsimile~~ *electronic* communication, of any person under oath or affirmation which states facts sufficient to show probable cause that a crime has been or is being committed and which particularly describes a person, place or means of conveyance to be searched and things to be seized. Any statement which is made orally shall be either taken down by a certified shorthand reporter, sworn to under oath and made part of the application for a search warrant, or recorded before the magistrate from whom the search warrant is requested and sworn to under oath. Any statement orally made shall be reduced to writing as soon thereafter as possible. If the magistrate is satisfied that grounds for the application exist or that there is probable cause to believe that they exist, the magistrate may issue a search warrant for the seizure of the following:

(1) Any things which have been used in the commission of a crime, or any contraband or any property which constitutes or may be considered a part of the evidence, fruits or instrumentalities of a crime under the laws of this state, any other state or of the United States. The term "fruits" as used in this act shall be interpreted to include any property into which the thing or things unlawfully taken or possessed may have been converted.

(2) Any person who has been kidnapped in violation of the laws of this state or who has been kidnapped in another jurisdiction and is now concealed within this state.

(3) Any human fetus or human corpse.

(4) Any person for whom a valid felony arrest warrant has been issued in this state or in another jurisdiction.

(b) Before ruling on a request for a search warrant, the magistrate may require the affiant to appear personally and may examine under oath the affiant and any witnesses that the affiant may produce. Such proceeding shall be taken down by a certified shorthand reporter or recording equipment and made part of the application for a search warrant.

(c) Affidavits or sworn testimony in support of the probable cause requirement of this section shall not be made available for examination

without a written order of the court, except that such affidavits or testimony when requested shall be made available to the defendant or the defendant's counsel for such disposition as either may desire.

(d) As used in this section, ~~telefacsimile~~ *electronic* communication means the use of electronic equipment to send or transfer a copy of an original document ~~via telephone lines~~.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 22-2504 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22-2504. All search warrants shall show the time and date of issuance and shall be the warrants of the magistrate issuing the same and not the warrants of the court in which he is then sitting and such warrants need not bear the seal of the court or clerk thereof. Such warrants may be transmitted by ~~telefacsimile~~ *electronic* communication, as defined in K.S.A. 22-2502, and amendments thereto. The statement on which the warrant is issued need not be filed with the clerk of the court nor with the court if there is no clerk until the warrant has been executed or has been returned "not executed."

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 28-172a is hereby amended to read as follows: 28-172a. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, whenever the prosecuting witness or defendant is adjudged to pay the costs in a criminal proceeding in any county, a docket fee shall be taxed as follows:

(1) On and after July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013:

Murder or manslaughter .....	\$182.50
Other felony .....	173.00
Misdemeanor .....	138.00
Forfeited recognizance .....	74.50
Appeals from other courts .....	74.50

(2) On and after July 1, 2013:

Murder or manslaughter .....	\$180.50
Other felony .....	171.00
Misdemeanor .....	136.00
Forfeited recognizance .....	72.50
Appeals from other courts .....	72.50

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), in actions involving the violation of any of the laws of this state regulating traffic on highways (including those listed in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 8-2118, and amendments thereto), a cigarette or tobacco infraction, any act declared a crime pursuant to the statutes contained in chapter 32 of Kansas Statutes Annotated and amendments thereto or any act declared a crime pursuant to the statutes contained in article 8 of chapter 82a of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, whenever the prosecuting witness or defendant is adjudged to pay the costs in the action, on and after July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013, a docket fee of \$76 shall be charged, and on and after July 1, 2013, a docket fee of \$74 shall be charged. When an action is disposed of under subsections (a) and (b) of K.S.A. 8-2118 or subsection (f) of K.S.A. 79-3393, and amendments thereto, ~~whether by mail or in person~~, on and after July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013, the docket fee to be paid as court costs shall be \$76, and on and after July 1, 2013, the docket fee to be paid as court costs shall be \$74.

(2) In actions involving the violation of a moving traffic violation under K.S.A. 8-2118, and amendments thereto, as defined by rules and regulations adopted under K.S.A. 8-249, and amendments thereto, whenever the prosecuting witness or defendant is adjudged to pay the costs in the action, on and after July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013, a docket fee of \$76 shall be charged, and on and after July 1, 2013, a docket fee of \$74 shall be charged. When an action is disposed of under subsection (a) and (b) of K.S.A. 8-2118, and amendments thereto, ~~whether by mail or in person~~, on and after July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013, the docket fee to be paid as court costs shall be \$76, and on and after July 1, 2013, the docket fee to be paid as court costs shall be \$74.

(c) If a conviction is on more than one count, the docket fee shall be the highest one applicable to any one of the counts. The prosecuting witness or defendant, if assessed the costs, shall pay only one fee. Multiple defendants shall each pay one fee.

(d) Statutory charges for law library funds, the law enforcement training center fund, the prosecuting attorneys' training fund, the juvenile detention facilities fund, the judicial branch education fund, the emergency medical services operating fund and the judiciary technology fund shall be paid from the docket fee; the family violence and child abuse

and neglect assistance and prevention fund fee shall be paid from criminal proceedings docket fees. All other fees and expenses to be assessed as additional court costs shall be approved by the court, unless specifically fixed by statute. Additional fees shall include, but are not limited to, fees for Kansas bureau of investigation forensic or laboratory analyses, fees for detention facility processing pursuant to K.S.A. 12-16,119, and amendments thereto, fees for the sexual assault evidence collection kit, fees for conducting an examination of a sexual assault victim, fees for service of process outside the state, witness fees, fees for transcripts and depositions, costs from other courts, doctors' fees and examination and evaluation fees. No sheriff in this state shall charge any district court of this state a fee or mileage for serving any paper or process.

(e) In each case charging a violation of the laws relating to parking of motor vehicles on the statehouse grounds or other state-owned or operated property in Shawnee county, Kansas, as specified in K.S.A. 75-4510a, and amendments thereto, or as specified in K.S.A. 75-4508, and amendments thereto, the clerk shall tax a fee of \$2 which shall constitute the entire costs in the case, except that witness fees, mileage and expenses incurred in serving a warrant shall be in addition to the fee. Appearance bond for a parking violation of K.S.A. 75-4508 or 75-4510a, and amendments thereto, shall be \$3, unless a warrant is issued. The judge may order the bond forfeited upon the defendant's failure to appear, and \$2 of any bond so forfeited shall be regarded as court costs.

(f) Except as provided further, the docket fee established in this section shall be the only fee collected or moneys in the nature of a fee collected for the docket fee. Such fee shall only be established by an act of the legislature and no other authority is established by law or otherwise to collect a fee. On and after July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, the supreme court may impose an additional charge, not to exceed \$10 per docket fee, to fund the costs of non-judicial personnel.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 38-2305 is hereby amended to read as follows: 38-2305. (a) Venue for proceedings in any case involving a juvenile shall be in any county where any act of the alleged offense was committed.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), venue for sentencing proceedings shall be in the county of the juvenile offender's residence or, if the juvenile offender is not a resident of this state, in the county where the adjudication occurred. When the sentencing hearing is to be held in a county other than where the adjudication occurred, upon adjudication, the judge shall contact the sentencing court and advise the judge of the transfer. The adjudicating court shall send immediately to the sentencing court a facsimile *or electronic copy* of the complaint, the adjudication journal entry or judge's minutes, if available, and any recommendations in regard to sentencing. ~~Such documents shall be sent for purposes of notification and shall not constitute original court documents.~~ The adjudicating court shall also send to the sentencing court a complete copy of the official and social files in the case by mail *or electronic means* within five working days of the adjudication.

(c) If the juvenile offender is adjudicated in a county other than the county of the juvenile offender's residence, the sentencing hearing may be held in the county in which the adjudication was made if the adjudicating judge, upon motion by any person authorized to appeal, finds that it is in the interest of justice.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 59-2203 is hereby amended to read as follows: 59-2203. Proceedings for the probate of a will or for administration shall be had in the county of the residence of the decedent at the time of such decedent's death if the decedent owned an interest in real property in such county, or, if the decedent did not own an interest in real property in the decedent's county of residence at the time of such decedent's death, in such county of the residence of the decedent at the time of such decedent's death or in any county where the decedent owned an interest in real property; if the decedent was not a resident of this state, proceedings may be had in any county where such decedent left any estate to be administered as provided in K.S.A. 59-805 and amendments thereto. Proceedings for the administration of a partnership estate by the surviving partner shall be had in the county of the residence of the deceased partner at the time. If the deceased partner is a nonresident of the state the proceedings may be had in any county in which any of the partnership property is situated. Such proceedings first legally commenced shall

extend to all of the property of the decedent or proposed conservatee in this state.

If the proceedings are instituted in more than one county, they shall be stayed except in the county where first commenced until final determination of venue. If the proper venue is determined to be in another county, the district court, ~~after making and retaining a true copy of the entire file,~~ shall transmit the ~~original~~ *entire file* to the proper county.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 19-4716, 20-365, 22-2502, 22-2504 and 59-2203 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-2118, 28-172a and 38-2305 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Approved April 6, 2010.

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