

STATE OF KANSAS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MR. CHAIRMAN:

I move to amend **SB 4**, on page 1, following line 5, by inserting:

"Section 1. On and after January 1, 2026, K.S.A. 25-1123 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-1123. (a) When an application for an advance voting ballot has been filed in accordance with K.S.A. 25-1122, and amendments thereto, the county election officer shall transmit to the voter applying therefor one each of the appropriate ballots. Unless an advance voting ballot is transmitted in person pursuant to this subsection, the county election officer shall transmit the advance voting ballots to the voter at one of the following addresses as specified by the voter on such application: (1) The voter's residential address or mailing address as indicated on the registration list; (2) the voter's temporary residential address; or (3) a medical care facility as defined in K.S.A. 65-425, and amendments thereto, psychiatric hospital, hospice or adult care home where the voter resides. No advance voting ballot shall be transmitted by the county election officer by any means prior to the ~~20th~~ 45th day before the election for which an application for an advance voting ballot has been received by such county election officer. If the advance voting ballot is transmitted by mail, such ballot shall be transmitted with printed instructions prescribed by the secretary of state and a ballot envelope bearing upon the outside a printed form as described in K.S.A. 25-1120, and amendments thereto, and the same number as the number of the ballot. If the advance voting ballot is transmitted to the applicant in person in the office of the county election officer or at a satellite advance voting site, such advance voting ballot and printed instructions shall be transmitted in an advance voting ballot envelope bearing upon the outside a printed form as described in K.S.A. 25-1120, and amendments thereto, and

the same number as the number of the ballot unless the voter elects to deposit the advance voting ballot into a locked ballot box without an envelope. All ballots shall be transmitted to the advance voting voter not more than ~~20~~45 days before the election but within two business days of the receipt of such voter's application by the election officer or the commencement of such ~~20-day~~ 45-day period. In primary elections required to be conducted on a partisan basis, the election officer shall deliver to such voter the ballot of the political party of the applicant.

(b) The restrictions in subsection (a) relating to where a county election officer may transmit an advance voting ballot shall not apply to an advance voting ballot requested pursuant to 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.

(c) The county election officer shall compare the driver's license number, nondriver's identification card number or copy of other valid identification provided by a voter to the voter registration list verified by the division of vehicles in accordance with federal law. If no identification information was provided by the voter or if such information does not match the information on the voter registration list, the county election officer shall transmit a provisional advance voting ballot.";

Also, on page 1, following line 28, by inserting:

"Sec. 3. On and after January 1, 2026, K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 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:

(1) Days when the main offices of the county government are closed for business, except as is otherwise provided by any county election officer under the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2312, and amendments thereto;

(2) days when the main offices of the city government are closed for business, in the case of deputy county election officers who are city clerks except as is otherwise provided by

any county election officer under the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2312, and amendments thereto;

(3) the ~~20~~45 days preceding the day of primary and general elections;

(4) the 30 days preceding the day of any presidential preference primary election held pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4501a, and amendments thereto;

(5) the ~~20~~45 days preceding the day of any election other than one specified in this subsection; and

(6) the day of any primary or general election or any question submitted 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.

(c) The secretary of state shall notify every county election officer of the dates when registration shall be closed preceding primary and general 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 election.

(d) The last days before closing of registration books as directed by the secretary of state under subsection (c), 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 primary and general elections, county election officers may provide for registration of voters until 9 p.m. in any city.

(e) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), county election officers shall accept and process applications received by voter registration agencies and the division of motor vehicles not later than the ~~21st~~ 46th day preceding the date of any election or mailed voter registration applications that are postmarked not later than the ~~21st~~ 46th day preceding the date of any election except, if the postmark is illegible or missing, mailed voter registration applications received in the mail not later than the ninth day preceding the day of any election.

(2) For any presidential preference primary election held pursuant to K.S.A. 25-4501a, and amendments thereto, county election officers shall accept and process applications received by voter registration agencies and the division of motor vehicles not later than the 31st day preceding the date of such election or mailed voter registration applications that are postmarked not later than the 31st day preceding such election except, if the postmark is illegible or missing, mailed voter registration applications received in the mail not later than the 19th day preceding the day of such 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 and odd-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.";

Also on page 1, in line 29, after "K.S.A." by inserting "25-1123 and"; also in line 29, by striking "is" and inserting "and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 25-2311 are";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

Also on page 1, in the title, in line 1, after the second semicolon by inserting "extending the time for transmittal of such ballots to 45 days prior to an election;"; in line 3, after "K.S.A." by inserting "25-1123 and"; also in line 3, after "25-1132" by inserting "and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 25-2311"; also in line 3, by striking "section" and inserting "sections"