

HOUSE BILL No. 2022

By Committee on Elections

Requested by Representative Waggoner

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; clarifying when special elections may be
2 held; amending K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 25-2502 and repealing the existing
3 section.
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 25-2502 is hereby amended to read as
7 follows: 25-2502.(a) "General election" means the elections held on the
8 Tuesday following the first Monday in November of both even-numbered
9 and odd-numbered years, and in the case of an election of any officers to
10 fill vacancies held on a date other than the Tuesday following the first
11 Monday in November, the election at which any such officer is finally
12 elected.

13 (b) "Primary election" means the elections held on the first Tuesday
14 in August of both even-numbered and odd-numbered years and any other
15 preliminary election held on a date other than the first Tuesday in August
16 at which part of the candidates for election to any national, state, county,
17 township, city, school or other municipal office are eliminated by the
18 process of the election but at which no officer is finally elected.

19 (c) "Special election" means any election that is not a general or
20 primary election, including, but not limited to, any mail ballot election
21 conducted pursuant to K.S.A. 25-431 et seq., and amendments thereto. A
22 special election shall not be held within 45 days ~~of~~ *before or after* a
23 general or primary election but may be held on the same day as a general
24 or primary election.

25 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 25-2502 is hereby repealed.

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