

SENATE BILL No. 396

AN ACT concerning cemeteries; authorizing the reorganization of the Clearwater cemetery district; removing Ohio township from the district.

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

Section 1. (a) The board of trustees of the Clearwater cemetery district located in Sedgwick county is authorized to reorganize such cemetery district by adoption of a resolution of reorganization to remove Ohio township from the district. Such resolution shall be adopted by a majority vote of the trustees.

(b) The reorganized cemetery district shall have three members as follows: The member from the city of Clearwater shall be the mayor, the member from Ninnescah township shall be the township trustee and one member shall be elected at-large. The resolution shall provide for the election of the at-large member of the board of trustees by the board of trustees at the next meeting of such board following the adoption of the resolution. The at-large member shall reside in either the city of Clearwater or Ninnescah township and shall represent the entire district. The at-large member shall stand for election by voters of the district on a nonpartisan basis at the 2026 general election and every four years thereafter. Ohio township and the reorganized Clearwater cemetery district may enter into an interlocal cooperation agreement regarding the future care of cemeteries and the sharing of existing tax funds.

(c) A copy of the reorganization resolution shall be mailed to the Sedgwick county clerk. The reorganization of the cemetery district shall be deemed effective on January 1, 2026.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the  
SENATE, and passed that body

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*

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*Speaker of the House.*

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*Chief Clerk of the House.*

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

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*Governor.*