

**SENATE BILL No. 4**

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; relating to advance voting ballots;  
2 requiring the return of such ballots by 7:00 p.m. on the day of the  
3 election; amending K.S.A. 25-1132 and repealing the existing section.  
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. K.S.A. 25-1132 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-  
7 1132. (a) All advance voting ballots that are received in the office of the  
8 county election officer or any polling place within the county not later than  
9 the hour for closing of the polls on the date of any election specified in  
10 K.S.A. 25-1122(f), and amendments thereto, shall be delivered by the  
11 county election officer to the appropriate special election board provided  
12 for in K.S.A. 25-1133, and amendments thereto.

13 ~~(b) Subject to the deadline for receipt by the office of the county~~  
14 ~~election officer as set forth in this subsection, all advance voting ballots~~  
15 ~~received by mail by the office of the county election officer after the~~  
16 ~~closing of the polls on the date of any election specified in K.S.A. 25-~~  
17 ~~1122(f), and amendments thereto, and which are postmarked or are~~  
18 ~~otherwise indicated by the United States postal service to have been~~  
19 ~~mailed on or before the close of the polls on the date of the election, shall~~  
20 ~~be delivered by the county election officer to a special election board or~~  
21 ~~the county board of canvassers, as determined by the secretary of state, for~~  
22 ~~canvassing in a manner consistent, as nearly as may be, with other advance~~  
23 ~~voting ballots. The deadline for the receipt by mail of the advance voting~~  
24 ~~ballots by the office of the county election officer shall be the last delivery~~  
25 ~~of mail by the United States postal service 7:00 p.m. on the third day~~  
26 ~~following the date of the election.~~

27 (c) The secretary of state shall adopt rules and regulations to  
28 implement this ~~subsection~~ section.

29 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-1132 is hereby repealed.

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