

SENATE BILL No. 177

By Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government

2-12

1 AN ACT concerning elections; relating to unauthorized voting disclosures;
2 amending K.S.A. 25-2422 and repealing the existing section.

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

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 25-2422 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
6 2422. (a) *The name of any voter who has cast a ballot shall not be*
7 *disclosed from the time the ballot is cast until the final canvass of the*
8 *election.* Unauthorized voting disclosure is, while being charged with any
9 election duty, intentionally:

10 ~~(a)(1)~~ Disclosing or exposing the contents of ~~any~~ a regular or
11 provisional ballot or the manner in which the ballot has been voted, or the
12 name of any voter who cast such ballot, except as ordered by a court of
13 competent jurisdiction; or

14 ~~(b)(2)~~ endeavoring to induce any voter to show how the voter marks
15 or has marked the voter's ballot.

16 (b) *Nothing in this section shall prohibit the disclosure of the names*
17 *of persons who have voted advance ballots.*

18 (c) Unauthorized voting disclosure is a severity level 10, nonperson
19 felony.

20 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-2422 is hereby repealed.

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