

SENATE BILL No. 431

By Senator Hensley

2-9

1 AN ACT concerning gubernatorial appointments; relating to changes in
2 party affiliation; amending K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 25-3304 and repealing
3 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. 2015 Supp. 25-3304 is hereby amended to read as
7 follows: 25-3304. (a) Any person who has declared such person's party or
8 voter affiliation in the manner provided by law shall be listed on a voter
9 affiliation list as a member of a registered political organization, or on a
10 party affiliation list if a member of a recognized political party, unless the
11 person's name is purged or removed therefrom as provided by K.S.A. 25-
12 3303, and amendments thereto, or unless the person changes party or voter
13 affiliation as provided in this section.

14 (b) Any person, who, having declared a party or voter affiliation,
15 desires to change the same, may file a written declaration with the county
16 election officer, stating the change of party or voter affiliation. Such
17 declaration cannot be filed during the time from the candidate filing
18 deadline, as prescribed in K.S.A. 25-205, 25-305 and 25-4004, and
19 amendments thereto, through the time when the primary election results
20 are certified by the secretary of state. The county election officer shall
21 enter a record of such change on the party or voter affiliation list of such
22 preceding primary election in the proper column opposite the voter's name.

23 (c) *A change in party affiliation by a person appointed by the*
24 *governor to any public office, position, board, commission, department,*
25 *agency or other instrumentality of the state, or any governmental*
26 *subdivision thereof, made within six months prior to the appointment shall*
27 *not be effective for purposes of any party affiliation requirement or*
28 *limitation or any other provision of law pertaining to party affiliation with*
29 *regard to the appointment.*

30 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 25-3304 is hereby repealed.

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