

STATE OF KANSAS

SENATE CHAMBER

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I move to amend **HB 2158**, as amended by Senate Committee, on page 10, following line 22, by inserting:

"Sec. 7. K.S.A. 25-2701 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-2701. (a) The county election officer shall determine the area to be served by each voting place at every election and shall ~~make the same known to any public officers having need of such information in due time for appropriate publication notices or other matters~~ provide notice of such voting places as required by law. Any precinct having less than 20 registered voters shall be included with an adjacent precinct or precincts in a single area to be served by a common voting place. The location of voting places shall be designated by the county election officer as provided by K.S.A. 25-2703, and amendments thereto.

(b) For any election to which this section is applicable, wherever a city is located in two counties, the county election officer of the county in which the greater population of the city is located may designate a voting place located in a portion of the city in the other county to serve an area within that portion of the city within the county in which the greater population of the city is located.

(c) At voting places serving two or more precincts, one or more of which have less than 20 registered voters, all ballots which are identical shall be deposited in the same ballot box or boxes and such votes shall be counted and canvassed in ~~such~~ a manner as to minimize the possibility of identifying the ballots cast by any voter.

(d) (1) The county election officer may not change a voting place prior to an election without providing mailed notice to the voters affected at least 30 days prior to the election. If an emergency is declared by the county election officer, the mailed notice requirement shall be waived.

(2) Failure to receive notice of a change in the voting place shall not give rise to a cause of action challenging the results of the election.

New Sec. 8. The secretary of state shall issue a press release and post a notice on the secretary of state's website notifying the public whenever the online voter registration website is unavailable for a period of 24 hours or more.";

Also on page 10, in line 23, by striking the first "and" and inserting a comma; also in line 23, after "25-1136" by inserting "and 25-2701";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, after the second semicolon by inserting "polling places;"; in line 2, by striking the first "and" and inserting a comma; also in line 2, after "25-1136" by inserting "and 25-2701"

Senator _____