## **HOUSE BILL No. 2183**

## By Committee on Elections

1-28

AN ACT concerning elections; prohibiting the governor, the executive branch and the judicial branch from altering election laws; limiting the authority of the secretary of state from entering into consent decrees with any court without legislative coordinating council approval; repealing K.S.A. 25-622.

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

- Section 1. (a) The governor shall not have any authority to alter election laws or procedures by issuance of an executive order.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), neither the executive branch nor the judicial branch of state government shall have any authority to alter the state election laws.
- (c) The secretary of state shall not enter into any consent decree or other agreement with any state or federal court regarding the enforcement of any election law or the alteration of any election procedure without specific approval of such consent decree by the legislative coordinating council.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-622 is hereby repealed.
- 19 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.