## **As Amended by House Committee**

Session of 2021

## **HOUSE BILL No. 2391**

By Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

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1 AN ACT concerning business entities the secretary of state; relating to duties and responsibilities thereof; providing for-biannual biennial 2 3 filing of business reports; changing business filing provisions and 4 requirements related to business names and electronic signatures; 5 removing certain exemptions from the open records act for certain business tax records no longer required to be filed; UCC filings with 6 7 improperly included social security numbers; other filing or 8 information requirements; filing fees; repealing certain obsolete statutes 9 including relating to blanket music licenses; publication and 10 distribution of session laws, the Kansas register, proposed amendments to the constitution of the state of Kansas and Kansas 11 administrative rules and regulations; permitting use of printing and 12 binding services from the commercial market; amending K.S.A. 17-13 1513, 17-1618, 17-2037, 17-2711, 17-4677, 17-5902, 17-7509, 17-14 7511, **45-106**, **45-315**, 53-601, 56-1a151, 56-1a605, 56a-101, **64-103**, 15 75-430, 75-433, 75-436, 75-446-and, 75-1005, 75-3520, 77-138, 77-16 417, 77-430, 77-430a, 77-431 and 77-438 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-17 2036, 17-2718, 17-4634, 17-6014, 17-6014, as amended by section 10 18 19 of this act, 17-7002, 17-7503, 17-7504, 17-7505, 17-7506, 17-7510, 17-7512, 17-76,136, 17-76,139, *17-76,146*, 17-76,147, 17-78-601, 17-20 21 7903, 17-7904, 17-7905, 17-7906, 17-7910, 17-7910, as amended by 22 section-29 31 of this act, 17-7936, 45-107, 45-229, 56-1a606, 56-23 1a607, 56a-1001, 56a-1201 and 56a-1202 and repealing the existing 24 sections; also repealing K.S.A. 17-7507, 57-205, 57-206, 57-207 and 25 75-447.

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33 34 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of K.S.A. 75-1005(a), and amendments thereto, for the purpose of fulfilling public printing and binding requirements provided by law, the secretary of state may utilize the printing or binding services of the division of printing or, in the discretion of the secretary of state, may acquire printing or binding services in accordance with the purchasing and procurement laws applicable to state agencies.

Section 1. Sec. 2. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 17-1513 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-1513. Each corporation organized under the provisions of this act shall make-an annual a written business entity information report to the secretary of state, and pay the annual report required fee, as prescribed by K.S.A. 17-7503, and amendments thereto.

- Sec. 2. 3. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 17-1618 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-1618. Each association formed under this act, or acts amendatory thereto, shall prepare and make an annual a written business entity information report to the secretary of state, and pay the annual report required fee, as prescribed by K.S.A. 17-7504, and amendments thereto, except that the report shall be filed at the time-prescribed by law for filing the association's annual Kansas income tax return.
- Sec. <u>3.</u> 4. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-2036 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-2036. (a) Every business trust shall make—an annual a written business entity information report—inwriting to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the business trust at the close of business on the last day of its tax period under the Kansas income tax act next preceding the date of filing, but if a business trust's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences such tax period.
- (b) The reports report shall be made on forms provided by the secretary of state and shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the business trust filed its formation documents. A business trust that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A business trust that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the business trust's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the business trust's annual Kansas income tax return.
- (c) The report shall be signed by a trustee or other authorized officer under penalty of perjury and contain the following:
- (1) Executed copies of all amendments to the instrument by which the business trust was created, or to prior amendments thereto, which that have been adopted and have not theretofore been filed under K.S.A. 17-2033, and amendments thereto, and accompanied by the fee prescribed therein for each such amendment; and
- (2) a verified list of the names and addresses of its trustees as of the end of its tax period each of such business trust's tax periods included in the report.
- $\frac{\text{(b)}(d)}{d}$  (1) At the time of filing—its annual the business entity information report, the business trust shall pay to the secretary of state—an

 annual report a fee in an amount equal to \$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.

- (2) The failure of any domestic or foreign business trust to file its annual business entity information report and pay—its annual report the required fee within 90 days from the date on which—they such report and fee are due, as described in subsection (a), or, in the case of an annual a report filing and fee received by mail, postmarked within 90 days from the date on which—they such report and fee are due, as described in subsection (a), shall work a forfeiture of—its such business trust's authority to transact business in this state and all of the remedies, procedures and penalties specified in K.S.A. 17-7509 and 17-7510, and amendments thereto, with respect to a corporation—which that fails to file its—annual business entity information report or pay—its annual report the required fee within 90 days after—they such report and fee are due, shall be applicable to such business trust.
- (e)(e) (1) All copies of applications for extension of the time for filing income tax returns submitted to the secretary of state pursuant to law shall be maintained by the secretary of state in a confidential file and shall not be disclosed to any person except as authorized pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-3234, and amendments thereto, a proper judicial order and—subsection (d) paragraph (2). All copies of such applications shall be preserved for one year and until the secretary of state orders that the copies are to be destroyed.
- $\frac{\text{(d)}(2)}{\text{(d)}}$  A copy of such application shall be open to inspection by or disclosure to any person designated by resolution of the trustees of the business trust.
- Sec. <u>4.</u> 5. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 17-2037 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-2037. (a) Any business trust, domestic or foreign, which that has obtained authority under this act to transact business in Kansas may surrender its authority at any time by:
- (1) Filing in the office of the secretary of state a certified copy of a resolution duly adopted by its trustees declaring its intention to withdraw, accompanied by;
- (2) paying a withdrawal fee of \$20 at the time the resolution is filed; and
- (3) filing all-annual business entity information reports and paying all annual report fees required by K.S.A. 17-2036, and amendments thereto, and that such business trust has not previously filed and paid.
- (b) During a period of five years following the effective date of such withdrawal the business trust shall nevertheless be entitled to convey and dispose of its property and assets in this state, settle and close out its business in this state, and perform any other act or acts pertinent to the

liquidation of its business, property, and assets in this state, and to prosecute and defend all suits filed prior to the expiration of such five-year period involving causes of action arising prior to the effective date of such withdrawal or arising out of any act or transaction occurring during such five-year period in the course of the liquidation of its business, property or assets.

- (c) The withdrawal of a business trust as provided in this section shall have no effect upon any suit filed by or against it prior to the expiration of such five-year period until such suit has been finally determined or otherwise finally concluded and all judgments, orders and decrees entered therein have been fully executed, even though such final determination, conclusion, or execution occurs after the expiration of such five-year period. With respect to a foreign business trust, withdrawal pursuant to this section shall not affect its written consent to be sued in the courts of this state, or the jurisdiction over such foreign business trust of the courts of this state, with respect to any cause of action which arose prior to the effective date of its withdrawal.
- Sec. <u>5.</u> 6. K.S.A. 17-2711 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-2711. The corporate name of a corporation organized and operating hereunder may be any name not contrary to law or the ethics of the profession involved. Such name may include any name set forth in K.S.A. 17-6002, and amendments thereto, but in all cases the corporate name shall end with the word "chartered" or "professional association" or the abbreviation "P.A." or "PA". The abbreviations "P.A." and "PA" shall be considered to be identical.
- Sec. 6. 7. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-2718 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-2718. (a) Each professional corporation organized under the laws of this state shall file with the secretary of state-an annual a written business entity information report-in writing stating the prescribed information concerning the corporation at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing, but if any such corporation's tax period is other than the calendar year it shall give notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences such tax period.
- (b) The report shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the professional corporation filed its formation documents. A professional corporation that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A professional corporation that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the professional corporation's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the corporation's annual Kansas income tax return.

- (c) The report shall be made on a form provided by the secretary of state, containing the following information:
- (1) The names and addresses of all officers, directors and shareholders of the professional corporation;
- (2) a statement that each officer, director and shareholder is or is not a qualified person as defined in K.S.A. 17-2707, and amendments thereto, and setting forth the date on which any shares of the corporation were no longer owned by a qualified person; and
  - (3) the amount of capital stock issued.
- (b)(d) The report shall be signed by its president, secretary, treasurer or other officer duly authorized so to act, or by any two of its directors, or by an incorporator in the event—its the corporation's board of directors shall not have been elected. The official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. The fact that an individual's name is signed on such report shall be prima facie evidence that such individual is authorized to sign the report on behalf of the corporation; however, the official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. This The report shall be subscribed by the person as true, under penalty of perjury. Upon request by the regulatory board—which that licenses the shareholders described in the report, a copy of the annual report shall be forwarded to the regulatory board.
- (e) At the time of filing its-annual business entity information report, each professional corporation shall pay the annual report fee prescribed by K.S.A. 17-7503, and amendments thereto.
- Sec. <u>7</u> 8. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-4634 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-4634. (a) Every corporation organized under the electric cooperative act of this state shall make—anannual a written business entity information report—in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the corporation at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing, but if any such corporation's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences such tax period.
- (b) The report shall be filed on or before biennially, as determined by the year that the electric cooperative filed its formation documents. An electric cooperative that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. An electric cooperative that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the electric cooperative's tax period but not later than the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 4<sup>th</sup> fourth month following the close of the tax year of the electric cooperative.
  - (c) The report shall be made on a form provided by the secretary of

state, containing the following information:

- (1) The name of the corporation;
- (2) the location of the principal office;
- (3) the names and addresses of the president, secretary, treasurer and all directors;
  - (4) the number of memberships issued; and
- (5) the change or changes, if any, in the particulars made since the last-annual business entity information report.
- (b)(d) Such reports shall be signed by the president, vice-president or secretary of the corporation under penalty of perjury and forwarded to the secretary of state.
- (e) At the time of filing-such annual its business entity information report, each such corporation shall pay-an annual report a fee in an amount equal to \$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- Sec.—8. 9. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 17-4677 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-4677. (a) Every cooperative organized under the renewable energy electric generation cooperative act shall make an annual a written business entity information report—in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the cooperative at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing, but if any such cooperative's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences such tax period.
- (b) The report shall be filed-on or before biennially, as determined by the year that the renewable energy electric generation cooperative filed its articles of formation documents. A renewable energy electric generation cooperative that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A renewable energy electric generation cooperative that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the electric cooperative's tax period but not later than the 15th day of the sixth month following the close of the tax year of the electric cooperative.
- (c) The report shall be made on a form provided by the secretary of state, containing the following information:
  - (1) The name of the cooperative;
  - (2) the location of the principal office of the cooperative;
- 39 (3) the names and addresses of the president, secretary, treasurer and directors of the cooperative;
  - (4) the number of members of the cooperative; and
- 42 (5) the change or changes, if any, in the particulars made since the last-annual business entity information report.

- (b)(d) The annual report shall be dated, signed by the president, vice-president or secretary of the cooperative under penalty of perjury and forwarded to the secretary of state.
- (e) At the time of filing—such annual its business entity information report, the cooperative shall pay—an annual report a fee in an amount equal to—\$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- Sec. <u>9.</u> 10. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 17-5902 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-5902. (a) All corporations and limited partnerships, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, which that hold agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, within this state, and which that are required to make annual written business entity information reports to the secretary of state shall provide the information required of such corporations and limited partnerships in the annual business entity information reports made under K.S.A. 17-7503, 17-7504, 17-7505, 56-1a606 or 56-1a607, and amendments thereto. The information required by this section does not apply to the following:
  - (1) A tract of land of less than 10 acres;
- (2) contiguous tracts of land-which that in the aggregate are of less than 10 acres; or
  - (3) state assessed railroad operating property.
- (b) Any person who shall knowingly submit, or who through the proper and due exercise of care and diligence should have known that any submission of information and statements required of corporations and limited partnerships subject to the provisions of this section are false or materially misleading, or who fails or refuses to submit such information and statements is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
- (c) The secretary of state shall keep a separate index of all corporations and limited partnerships subject to the provisions of this section.
- Sec. <u>10</u>: 11. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6014 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6014. (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and (c), the provisions of the Kansas general corporation code shall apply to nonstock corporations in the manner specified in this subsection:
- (1) All references to stockholders of the corporation shall be deemed to refer to members of the corporation;
- (2) all references to the board of directors of the corporation shall be deemed to refer to the governing body of the corporation;
- (3) all references to directors or to members of the board of directors of the corporation shall be deemed to refer to members of the governing body of the corporation; and
  - (4) all references to stock, capital stock, or shares thereof of a

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corporation authorized to issue capital stock shall be deemed to refer to memberships of a nonprofit nonstock corporation and to membership interests of any other nonstock corporation.

- (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to:
- (1) K.S.A. 17-6002(a)(4), (b)(1) and (b)(2), 17-6009(a), 17-6301, 17-6404, 17-6505, 17-6518, 17-6520(b), 17-6601, 17-6602, 17-6703, 17-6705, 17-6706, 17-6707, 17-6708, 17-6801, 17-6805, 17-6805a, 17-7001, 17-7002, 17-7503(a)(4) and (b)(4), 17-7504, 17-7505(a)(4) and (b)(4) and 17-7514(c), and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6014, and amendments thereto, which that apply to nonstock corporations by their terms:
- (2) K.S.A. 17-6002(e), the last sentence of 17-6009(b), 17-6401, 17-6402, 17-6403, 17-6405, 17-6406, 17-6407(d), 17-6408, 17-6411, 17-6412, 17-6413, 17-6414, 17-6415, 17-6416, 17-6417, 17-6418, 17-6501, 17-6502, 17-6503, 17-6504, 17-6506, 17-6509, 17-6512, 17-6521, 17-6603, 17-6604, 17-6701, 17-6702, 17-6803 and 17-6804, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6427, 17-6428, 17-6429 and 17-72a04, and amendments thereto: and
- 19 (3) article 72 and article 73 of chapter 17 of the Kansas Statutes 20 Annotated, and amendments thereto.
- 21 (c) In the case of a nonprofit nonstock corporation, subsection (a) 22 shall not apply to: 23
  - (1) The sections and articles listed in subsection (b);
  - (2) K.S.A. 17-6002(b)(3), 17-6304(a)(2), 17-6507, 17-6508, 17-6712, 17-7503, 17-7505, 17-7509; and 17-7511 and 17-7514, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6011(a)(2) and (a)(3), and amendments thereto; and
  - (3) article 64 of chapter 17 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-72a01 through 17-72a09, and amendments thereto.
    - (d) For purposes of the Kansas general corporation code:
  - (1) A "charitable nonstock corporation" is any nonprofit nonstock corporation that is exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3);
  - (2) a "membership interest" is, unless otherwise provided in a nonstock corporation's articles of incorporation, a member's share of the profits and losses of a nonstock corporation, or a member's right to receive distributions of the nonstock corporation's assets, or both;
- 39 (3) a "nonprofit nonstock corporation" is a nonstock corporation that 40 does not have membership interests; and
- 41 (4) a "nonstock corporation" is any corporation organized under the 42 Kansas general corporation code that is not authorized to issue capital 43 stock.

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- Sec.—11: 12. On and after January 1 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6014, as amended by section 10 of this act, is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-6014. (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and (c), the provisions of the Kansas general corporation code shall apply to nonstock corporations in the manner specified in this subsection:
- (1) All references to stockholders of the corporation shall be deemed to refer to members of the corporation;
- (2) all references to the board of directors of the corporation shall be deemed to refer to the governing body of the corporation;
- (3) all references to directors or to members of the board of directors of the corporation shall be deemed to refer to members of the governing body of the corporation; and
- (4) all references to stock, capital stock, or shares thereof of a corporation authorized to issue capital stock shall be deemed to refer to memberships of a nonprofit nonstock corporation and to membership interests of any other nonstock corporation.
  - (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to:
- 18 (1) K.S.A. 17-6002(a)(4), (b)(1) and (b)(2), 17-6009(a), 17-6301, 17-19 (6404, 17-6505, 17-6518, 17-6520(b), 17-6601, 17-6602, 17-6703, 17-6705, 17-6706, 17-6707, 17-6708, 17-6801, 17-6805, 17-6805a, 17-7001, 17-7002, 17-7503(a)(4) and (b)(4)(c)(4) and (d)(4), 17-7504, 17-7505(a) (4) and (b)(4)(c)(4) and (d)(4) and 17-7514(c), and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6014, and amendments thereto, that apply to nonstock corporations by their terms;
- 25 (2) K.S.A. 17-6002(e), the last sentence of 17-6009(b), 17-6401, 17-26 (402, 17-6403, 17-6405, 17-6406, 17-6407(d), 17-6408, 17-6411, 17-6412, 17-6413, 17-6414, 17-6415, 17-6416, 17-6417, 17-6418, 17-6501, 17-6502, 17-6503, 17-6504, 17-6506, 17-6509, 17-6512, 17-6521, 17-6603, 17-6604, 17-6701, 17-6702, 17-6803 and 17-6804, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6427, 17-6428, 17-6429 and 17-72a04, and amendments thereto; and
- 32 (3) article 72 and article 73 of chapter 17 of the Kansas Statutes 33 Annotated, and amendments thereto.
  - (c) In the case of a nonprofit nonstock corporation, subsection (a) shall not apply to:
    - (1) The sections and articles listed in subsection (b);
- 37 (2) K.S.A. 17-6002(b)(3), 17-6304(a)(2), 17-6507, 17-6508, 17-6712, 17-7503, 17-7505, 17-7509 and 17-7511, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6011(a)(2) and (a)(3), and amendments thereto; and
- 40 (3) article 64 of chapter 17 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and 41 amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-72a01 through 17-72a09, 42 and amendments thereto.
- (d) For purposes of the Kansas general corporation code:

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- (1) A "charitable nonstock corporation" is any nonprofit nonstock corporation that is exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3);
- (2) a "membership interest" is, unless otherwise provided in a nonstock corporation's articles of incorporation, a member's share of the profits and losses of a nonstock corporation, or a member's right to receive distributions of the nonstock corporation's assets, or both;
- (3) a "nonprofit nonstock corporation" is a nonstock corporation that does not have membership interests; and
- (4) a "nonstock corporation" is any corporation organized under the Kansas general corporation code that is not authorized to issue capital stock
- Sec. <u>12.</u> 13. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7002 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7002. (a) As used in this section, the term:
- (1) "Articles of incorporation" includes the articles of incorporation of a corporation organized under any special act or any law of this state; and
- (2) "authority to engage in business" includes the registration of any foreign corporation under K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7931, and amendments thereto.
- (b) Any corporation may, at any time before the expiration of the time limited for its existence and any corporation whose articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business has become forfeited or void pursuant to this code and any corporation whose articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business has expired by reason of failure to renew it or whose articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business has been renewed, but, through failure to comply strictly with the provisions of this code, the validity of whose renewal has been brought into question, at any time procure an extension, renewal or reinstatement of its articles of incorporation, if a domestic corporation, or its authority to engage in business, if a foreign corporation, together with all the rights, franchises, privileges and immunities and subject to all of its duties, debts and liabilities-which that had been secured or imposed by its original articles of incorporation, and all amendments thereto, or by its authority to engage in business, as the case may be, by complying with the requirements of this section.
- (c) The extension, renewal or reinstatement of the articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business may be procured by executing and filing a certificate in accordance with K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7908 through 17-7910, and amendments thereto.
  - (d) The certificate required by subsection (c) shall state:
  - (1) The name of the corporation, which shall be the existing name of

the corporation or the name it bore when its articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business expired, except as provided in subsection (f) and the date of filing of its original articles of incorporation with the secretary of state;

- (2) the address of the corporation's registered office in this state, which shall be stated in accordance with K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7924(c), and amendments thereto, and the name of its resident agent at such address;
- (3) whether or not the renewal, or reinstatement is to be perpetual and, if not perpetual, the time for which the renewal or reinstatement is to continue and, in case of renewal before the expiration of the time limited for its existence, the date when the renewal is to commence, which shall be prior to the date of the expiration of the old articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business which it is desired to renew;
- (4) that the corporation desiring to be renewed or reinstated and so renewing or reinstating its corporate existence was duly organized under the laws of the state of its original incorporation;
- (5) the date when the articles of incorporation or the authority to engage in business would expire, if such is the case, or such other facts as may show that the articles of incorporation or the authority to engage in business has become forfeited or void pursuant to this code, or that the validity of any renewal has been brought into question; and
- (6) that the certificate for reinstatement is filed by authority of those who were directors or members of the governing body of the corporation at the time its articles of incorporation or the authority to engage in business expired, or who were elected directors or members of the governing body of the corporation as provided in subsection (h).
- (e) Upon the filing of the certificate in accordance with K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7908 through 17-7910, and amendments thereto, the corporation shall be renewed or reinstated with the same force and effect as if its articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business had not been forfeited or void pursuant to this code or had not expired by limitation. Such reinstatement shall validate all contracts, acts, matters and things made, done and performed within the scope of its articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business by the corporation, its officers and agents during the time when its articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business was forfeited or void pursuant to this code, or after their expiration by limitation, with the same force and effect and to all intents and purposes as if the articles of incorporation had at all times remained in full force and effect. All real and personal property, rights and credits, which belonged to the corporation at the time its articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business became forfeited or void pursuant to this code, or expired by limitation and which were not

disposed of prior to the time of its renewal or reinstatement shall be vested in the corporation after its renewal or reinstatement, as fully and amply as they were held by the corporation at and before the time its articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business became forfeited or void pursuant to this code, or expired by limitation, and the corporation after its renewal or reinstatement shall be as exclusively liable for all contracts, acts, matters and things made, done or performed in its name and on its behalf by its officers and agents prior to its reinstatement, as if its articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business had at all times remained in full force and effect.

- (f) If, since the articles of incorporation became forfeited or void pursuant to this code, or expired by limitation, any other corporation organized under the laws of this state shall have adopted the same name as the corporation sought to be renewed or reinstated or shall have adopted a name so nearly similar thereto as not to distinguish it from the corporation to be renewed or reinstated, or any foreign corporation registered in accordance with K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7931, and amendments thereto, shall have adopted the same name as the corporation sought to be renewed or reinstated, or shall have adopted a name so nearly similar thereto as not to distinguish it from the corporation to be renewed or reinstated, then in such case the corporation to be renewed or reinstated shall not be renewed under the same name which it bore when its articles of incorporation became forfeited or void pursuant to this code or expired, but shall adopt or be renewed under some other name; and in such case the certificate to be filed under the provisions of this section shall set forth the name borne by the corporation at the time its articles of incorporation became forfeited or void pursuant to this code, or expired and the new name under which the corporation is to be renewed or reinstated.
- (g) Any corporation that renews or reinstates its articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business under this code shall file all-annual past due business entity information reports for up to the five most recent reporting periods the immediately preceding 10 years and pay to the secretary of state an amount equal to all fees and any penalties thereon due. Nonprofit corporations shall file only the annual business entity information reports for the three most recent reporting periods period, but shall and pay to the secretary of state an amount equal to all fees due.
- (h) If a sufficient number of the last acting officers of any corporation desiring to renew or reinstate its articles of incorporation are not available by reason of death, unknown address or refusal or neglect to act, the directors of the corporation or those remaining on the board, even if only one, may elect successors to such officers. In any case where there shall be no directors of the corporation available for the purposes aforesaid, the

stockholders may elect a full board of directors, as provided by the bylaws of the corporation, and the board shall then elect such officers as are provided by law, by the articles of incorporation or by the bylaws to carry on the business and affairs of the corporation. A special meeting of the stockholders for the purposes of electing directors may be called by any officer, director or stockholder upon notice given in accordance with K.S.A. 17-6512, and amendments thereto.

- (i) After a reinstatement of the articles of incorporation of the corporation shall have been effected, the provisions of K.S.A. 17-6501(c), and amendments thereto, shall govern and the period of time the articles of incorporation of the corporation was forfeited pursuant to this code, or after its expiration by limitation, shall be included within the calculation of the 30-day and 13-month periods to which K.S.A. 17-6501(c), and amendments thereto, refers. A special meeting of stockholders held in accordance with subsection (h) shall be deemed an annual meeting of the stockholders for purposes of K.S.A. 17-6501(c), and amendments thereto.
- (i) Whenever it shall be desired to renew or reinstate the articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business of any nonstock corporation, the governing body shall perform all the acts necessary for the renewal or reinstatement of the articles of incorporation of the corporation or its authority to engage in business which are performed by the board of directors in the case of a corporation having capital stock, and the members of any nonstock corporation who are entitled to vote for the election of members of its governing body and any other members entitled to vote for dissolution under the articles of incorporation or bylaws of such corporation, shall perform all the acts necessary for the renewal or reinstatement of the articles of incorporation of the corporation or its authority to engage in business which are performed by the stockholders in the case of a corporation having capital stock. In all other respects, the procedure for the renewal or reinstatement of the articles of incorporation or authority to engage in business of a nonstock corporation shall conform. as nearly as may be applicable, to the procedure prescribed in this section for the renewal or revival of the articles of incorporation of a corporation having capital stock, except that subsection (i) shall not apply to nonstock corporations.

Sec. <u>13.</u> 14. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7503 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7503. (a) Every domestic corporation organized for profit shall make <u>an annual</u> a written business entity information report in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the corporation at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing, but if a corporation's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it

commences such tax period.

- (b) The reports report shall be made on forms prescribed by the secretary of state. The report and shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the domestic corporation filed its formation documents. A domestic corporation that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A domestic corporation that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the corporation's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the corporation's annual Kansas income tax return
  - (c) The report shall contain the following information:
  - (1) The name of the corporation;
  - (2) the location of the principal office;
- (3) the names and addresses of the president, secretary, treasurer or equivalent of such officers and members of the board of directors:
  - (4) the number of shares of capital stock issued;
- (5) the nature and kind of business in which the corporation is engaged; and
- (6) if the corporation is a parent corporation holding more than 50% equity ownership in any other business entity registered with the secretary of state, the name and identification number of any such subsidiary business entity.
- (b)(d) Every corporation subject to the provisions of this section which that holds agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, within this state shall show the following additional information on the report:
- (1) The acreage and location listed by section, range, township and county of each lot, tract or parcel of agricultural land in this state owned or leased by or to the corporation;
- (2) the purposes for which such agricultural land is owned or leased and, if leased, to whom such agricultural land is leased;
- (3) the value of the nonagricultural assets and the agricultural assets, stated separately, owned and controlled by the corporation both within and without the state of Kansas and where situated:
  - (4) the total number of stockholders of the corporation;
- (5) the number of acres owned or operated by the corporation, the number of acres leased by the corporation and the number of acres leased to the corporation;
- (6) the number of acres of agricultural land, held and reported in each category under paragraph (5), stated separately, being irrigated; and
- (7) whether any of the agricultural land held and reported under this subsection was acquired after July 1, 1981.

- (e)(e) The report shall be executed in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7908 through 17-7910, and amendments thereto. The official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. The fact that an individual's name is signed on such report shall be prima facie evidence that such individual is authorized to sign the report on behalf of the corporation; however, the official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. This report shall be subscribed by the person as true, under penalty of perjury.
- (f) At the time of filing—such annual its business entity information report it shall be the duty of each domestic corporation organized for profit to pay to the secretary of state—an annual report a fee in an amount equal to \$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- Sec. 14. 15. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7504 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7504. (a) Every corporation organized not for profit shall make—an annual a written business entity information report—in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the corporation at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing, but if a corporation's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences such tax period.
- (b) The—reports report shall be made on forms prescribed by the secretary of state. The report and shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the corporation organized not for profit filed its formation documents. A corporation organized not for profit that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A corporation organized not for profit that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the corporation's tax period but not later than on the 15th day of the sixth month following the close of the taxable year.
  - (c) The report shall contain the following information:
  - (1) The name of the corporation;
  - (2) the location of the principal office;
- (3) the names and addresses of the president, secretary and treasurer or equivalent of such officers, and the members of the governing body;
- (4) the number of memberships or the number of shares of capital stock issued; and
- (5) if the corporation is a parent corporation holding more than 50% equity ownership in any other business entity registered with the secretary of state, the name and identification number of any such subsidiary business entity.

- (b)(d) Every corporation subject to the provisions of this section which that holds agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, within this state shall show the following additional information on the report:
- (1) The acreage and location listed by section, range, township and county of each lot, tract or parcel of agricultural land in this state owned or leased by or to the corporation;
- (2) the purposes for which such agricultural land is owned or leased and, if leased, to whom such agricultural land is leased;
- (3) the value of the nonagricultural assets and the agricultural assets, stated separately, owned and controlled by the corporation both within and without the state of Kansas and where situated;
  - (4) the total number of stockholders or members of the corporation;
- (5) the number of acres owned or operated by the corporation, the number of acres leased by the corporation and the number of acres leased to the corporation;
- (6) the number of acres of agricultural land, held and reported in each category under paragraph (5), stated separately, being irrigated; and
- (7) whether any of the agricultural land held and reported under this subsection was acquired after July 1, 1981.
- (e)(e) The report shall be executed in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7908 through 17-7910, and amendments thereto. The official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. The fact that an individual's name is signed on such report shall be prima facie evidence that such individual is authorized to sign the report on behalf of the corporation; however, the official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. This report shall be subscribed by the person as true, under penalty of perjury.
- (d)(f) At the time of filing-such its business entity information report, each nonprofit corporation shall pay-an annual report a fee in an amount equal to \$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary—for all tax years commencing after December 31, 2003—multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- Sec. <u>15.</u> 16. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7505 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7505. (a) Every foreign corporation organized for profit, or organized under the cooperative type statutes of the state, territory or foreign country of incorporation, now or hereafter doing business in this state, and owning or using a part or all of its capital in this state, and subject to compliance with the laws relating to the admission of foreign corporations to do business in Kansas, shall make an annual a written business entity information report—in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the corporation at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next

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preceding the date of filing, but if a corporation operates on a fiscal year other than the calendar year it shall give written notice thereof to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year commencing such fiscal vear.

- (b) The report shall be made on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The report and shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the foreign corporation filed its foreign corporation application in Kansas. A foreign corporation that filed an application in an evennumbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A foreign corporation that filed an application in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the corporation's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the corporation's annual Kansas income tax return.
  - (c) The report shall contain the following facts information:
- (1) The name of the corporation and under the laws of what state or country it is incorporated;
  - (2) the location of its principal office;
- (3) the names and addresses of the president, secretary, treasurer, or equivalent of such officers, and members of the board of directors;
  - (4) the number of shares of capital stock issued;
- (5) the nature and kind of business in which the company is engaged; 22 and
  - (6) if the corporation is a parent corporation holding more than 50% equity ownership in any other business entity registered with the secretary of state, the name and identification number of any such subsidiary business entity.
  - $\frac{(b)}{(d)}$  Every corporation subject to the provisions of this section which that holds agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, within this state shall show the following additional information on the report:
  - (1) The acreage and location listed by section, range, township and county of each lot, tract or parcel of agricultural land in this state owned or leased by or to the corporation;
  - (2) the purposes for which such agricultural land is owned or leased and, if leased, to whom such agricultural land is leased;
  - (3) the value of the nonagricultural assets and the agricultural assets, stated separately, owned and controlled by the corporation both within and without the state of Kansas and where situated:
    - (4) the total number of stockholders of the corporation;
  - (5) the number of acres owned or operated by the corporation, the number of acres leased by the corporation and the number of acres leased to the corporation:
    - (6) the number of acres of agricultural land, held and reported in each

category under paragraph (5), stated separately, being irrigated; and

- (7) whether any of the agricultural land held and reported under this subsection was acquired after July 1, 1981.
- (e)(e) The report shall be executed in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7908 through 17-7910, and amendments thereto. The official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. The fact that an individual's name is signed on such report shall be prima facie evidence that such individual is authorized to sign the report on behalf of the corporation; however, the official title or position of the individual signing the report shall be designated. This report shall be subscribed by the person as true, under penalty of perjury.
- (d)(f) At the time of filing its—annual business entity information report, each such foreign corporation shall pay to the secretary of state—an annual report a fee in an amount equal to—\$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- Sec. <u>16.</u> 17. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7506 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7506. (a) The secretary of state shall charge each corporation a fee established pursuant to rules and regulations, but not exceeding \$250, for issuing or filing and indexing articles of incorporation of a for-profit or a foreign corporation application.
- (b) The secretary of state shall charge each corporation a fee established by rules and regulations, but not exceeding \$50, for articles of incorporation of a nonprofit corporation.
- (c) The secretary of state shall charge each corporation a fee established by rules and regulations, but not exceeding \$150, for issuing or filing and indexing any of the corporate documents described below:
- (1) Certificate of extension, restoration, renewal or revival of articles of incorporation;
- (2) certificate of amendment of articles of incorporation, either prior to or after payment of capital;
  - (3) certificate of designation of preferences;
  - (4) certificate of retirement of preferred stock;
  - (5) certificate of increase or reduction of capital;
- (6) certificate of dissolution, either prior to or after beginning business;
  - (7) certificate of revocation of voluntary dissolution;
- (8) certificate of change of location of registered office and resident agent;
  - (9) agreement of merger or consolidation;
  - (10) certificate of ownership and merger;
- (11) certificate of extension, restoration, renewal or revival of a certificate of authority of foreign corporation to do business in Kansas;

- (12) change of resident agent or amendment by foreign corporation;
  - (13) certificate of withdrawal of foreign corporation;
- (14) certificate of correction of any of the instruments designated in this section;
  - (15) reservation of corporate name;
  - (16) restated articles of incorporation;
  - (17) annual report extension of a business entity information report; and
    - (18) certificate of validation.
  - (d) The secretary of state shall charge each corporation a fee established pursuant to rules and regulations but not exceeding \$50 for issuing certified copies, photocopies, certificates of good standing and certificates of fact; and any other certificate or filing for which a filing or indexing fee is not prescribed by law.
  - (e) The secretary of state shall not charge fees for providing the following information: Name of the corporation; address of its registered office and the name of its resident agent; the amount of its authorized capital stock; the state of its incorporation; date of filing of articles of incorporation, foreign corporation application or—annual business entity information report; and date of expiration.
- (f) The secretary of state shall prescribe by rules and regulations any fees required by this act.
- Sec. <u>17.</u> 18. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 17-7509 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7509. (a) In case any corporation organized for profit—which that is required to file—an annual a business entity information report and pay the annual report required fee prescribed by this act shall fail or neglect to make such report at the time prescribed, such corporation shall be subject to a penalty of \$75. Such penalty and the annual fee or fees required to be paid by this act may be recovered by an action in the name of the state, and all moneys recovered shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund.
- (b) The penalties provided for in subsection (a) also may be assessed against any corporation for the reason that such corporation has been canceled or its existence forfeited pursuant to the Kansas general corporation code. No penalty shall be charged pursuant to this subsection, if a corporation is assessed penalties pursuant to grounds specified in subsection (a).
- Sec. <u>18.</u> 19. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7510 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7510. (a) In addition to any other penalties, the failure of any domestic corporation to file the-annual

business entity information report in accordance with the provisions of this act or to pay the annual report fee provided for within 90 days of the time for filing and paying the same or, in the case of an annual a report filing and fee received by mail, postmarked within 90 days of the time for filing and paying the same, shall work the forfeiture of the articles of incorporation of such domestic corporation. Within 60 days after the date such—annual business entity information report and fee are due, the secretary of state, by mail, shall notify any corporation that has failed to submit such report and fee when due that its articles of incorporation shall be forfeited unless the—annual business entity information report is filed and the fee is paid within 90 days from the date such report and fee were due. Any corporation that fails to submit such report and fee within such time shall forfeit its articles of incorporation, and the secretary of state shall notify the attorney general that the articles of incorporation of such corporation have been forfeited.

- (b) In addition to any other penalties, the failure of any foreign corporation to file the annual business entity information report or pay the annual report fee prescribed by this act within 90 days from the time provided for filing and paying the same or, in the case of an annual a report filing and fee received by mail, postmarked within 90 days of the time for filing and paying the same, shall work a forfeiture of its right or authority to do business in this state. Within 60 days after the date such annual business entity information report and fee are due, the secretary of state, by mail, shall notify any corporation that has failed to submit such report and fee when due that its authority to do business in this state shall be forfeited unless the annual business entity information report and fee is paid within 90 days from the date such report and fee were due. Any corporation that fails to submit such report and fees within such time shall forfeit its authority to do business in this state, and the secretary of state shall publish a notice of such forfeiture in the Kansas register.
- (c) This section shall not be construed to restrict the state from invoking any other remedies provided by law.
- (d) The secretary of state shall not issue certificates of good standing for any corporation that has failed to file its—annual business entity information report or pay-its annual report the required fee.

Sec. <u>19.</u> **20.** On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 17-7511 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7511. Pursuant to the authority granted by subsection (e) of K.S.A. 79-3234(c), the secretary of state, as a legal representative of the state, may inspect the annual Kansas income tax return returns of any corporation for the purpose of verifying any information contained in the annual business entity information report filed by such corporation with the secretary of state pursuant to this act. The secretary of state shall not disclose any information obtained from any

such—return returns, except as may be necessary to commence an appropriate administrative or judicial proceeding against the corporation filing the same, and shall disclose to the secretary of revenue any information and allow the secretary to inspect as necessary the—annual business entity information report for purposes of verifying any information contained on the franchise tax—return returns as provided in K.S.A. 79-5401, and amendments thereto.

Sec. <u>20.</u> 21. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7512 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7512. The provisions of this act relating to the filing of-annual business entity information reports and the payment of-annual report fees shall not apply to banking, insurance or savings and loan corporations, credit unions, any firemen's relief association under the jurisdiction and supervision of the insurance commissioner or to Kansas venture capital, inc. or venture capital companies certified by the secretary of commerce pursuant to article 83 of chapter 74 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 21. 22. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,136 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-76,136. (a) The secretary of state shall charge each domestic and foreign limited liability company the following fees:

- (1) A fee of \$20 for issuing or filing and indexing any of the following documents:
  - (A) A certificate of amendment of articles of organization;
  - (B) restated articles of organization;
- (C) a certificate of cancellation, which fee shall be multiplied by the number of series of the limited liability company named in the certificate of cancellation;
- (D) a certificate of change of location of registered office or resident agent;
  - (E) a certificate of merger or consolidation;
  - (F) a certificate of division; and
- (G) any certificate, affidavit, agreement or any other paper provided for in the Kansas revised limited liability company act, for which no different fee is specifically prescribed;
- (2) a fee of \$7.50 for each certified copy plus a fee per page, if the secretary of state supplies the copies, in an amount fixed by the secretary of state and approved by the director of accounts and reports for copies of corporate documents under K.S.A. 45-204, and amendments thereto;
- (3) a fee of \$7.50 for each certificate of good standing, including a certificate of good standing for a series of a limited liability company, and certificate of fact issued by the secretary of state;
- (4) a fee of \$5 for a report of record search, but furnishing the following information shall not be considered a record search and no

 charge shall be made therefor: Name of the limited liability company and the address of its registered office; name and address of the resident agent; the state of the limited liability company's formation; the date of filing of its articles of organization or annual report business entity information report; and date of expiration; and

- (5) for photocopies of instruments on file or prepared by the secretary of state's office and which are not certified, a fee per page in an amount fixed by the secretary of state and approved by the director of accounts and reports for copies of corporate documents under K.S.A. 45-204, and amendments thereto.
- (b) Every limited liability company hereafter formed in this state shall pay to the secretary of state, at the time of filing its articles of organization, an application and recording fee of \$150.
- (c) At the time of filing its application to do business, every foreign limited liability company shall pay to the secretary of state an application and recording fee of \$150.
- (d) The fee for filing a certificate of reinstatement shall be the same as that prescribed by K.S.A. 17-7506, and amendments thereto, for filing a certificate of reinstatement of a corporation's articles of incorporation.
- Sec. 22. 23. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,139 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-76,139. (a) Every limited liability company organized and on and after July 1, 2020, each series thereof formed or in existence under the laws of this state shall make—an annual a written business entity information report—in—writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the limited liability company or series, as applicable, at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing. If the limited liability company's or series' tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice of its different tax period in writing to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences the different tax period.
- (b) The annual report shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the limited liability company or series filed its formation documents. A limited liability company or series that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A limited liability company or series that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. It is permissible to file at one time the biennial report information for more than one limited liability company or series, regardless of whether the formation documents were filed in an even-numbered or odd-numbered year, provided that all the reports shall be filed in the first year a biennial report is due under this law and in odd-numbered years thereafter. The report shall be filed after the close

of the limited liability company's tax period or series' tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the limited liability company's or series' annual Kansas income tax return, or if applicable law does not prescribe a time for filing an annual Kansas income tax return for a series, the-annual report for the series shall be filed at, and for purposes of this section its tax period shall be deemed to be, the time prescribed by law for filing the annual Kansas income tax return for the limited liability company to which the series is associated.

- (c) The-annual report shall be made on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The report and shall contain the following information for each limited liability company or series:
- (1) The name of the limited liability company or series, as applicable; and
- (2) a list of the members owning at least 5% of the capital of the limited liability company or series, as applicable, with the post office address of each.
- (b)(d) (1) Every foreign limited liability company shall make—anannual a written business entity information report—in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the limited liability company at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing. If the limited liability company's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice in writing of its different tax period to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences the different tax period.
- (2) The-annual report shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the foreign limited liability company filed its foreign limited liability company application. A foreign limited liability company that filed its application in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A foreign limited liability company that filed its application in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the foreign limited liability company's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the limited liability company's annual Kansas income tax return.
- (3) The annual report shall be made on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The report and shall contain the name of the limited liability company.
- (e)(e) The annual business entity information report required by this section shall be executed by one or more authorized persons, and filed with the secretary of state. The execution of such-annual report by a person who is authorized by the Kansas revised limited liability company act to execute such-annual report, upon filing such-annual report with the secretary of state, constitutes an oath or affirmation, under penalties of

perjury that, to the best of such person's knowledge and belief, the facts stated therein are true.

- (f) At the time of filing the business entity information report, the each limited liability company or series shall pay to the secretary of state an annual report a fee in an amount equal to—\$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- $\frac{d}{d}(g)$  The provisions of K.S.A. 17-7509, and amendments thereto, relating to penalties for failure of a corporation to file an annual business entity information report or pay the required-annual report fee, and the provisions of K.S.A. 17-7510(a), and amendments thereto, relating to penalties for failure of a corporation to file-an annual business entity information report or pay the required annual report fee, shall be applicable to the articles of organization of any domestic limited liability company, the certificate of designation of any series thereof, or to the authority of any foreign limited liability company which fails to file its annual business entity information report or pay the annual report fee within 90 days of the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying the same or, in the case of an annual a report filing and fee received by mail, postmarked within 90 days of the time for filing and paying the same. Whenever the articles of organization of a domestic limited liability company, the certificate of designation of a series thereof, or the authority of any foreign limited liability company are forfeited or canceled for failure to file-an annual business entity information report or to pay the required-annual report fee, the domestic limited liability company or the authority of a foreign limited liability company may be reinstated by filing a certificate of reinstatement, pursuant to K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,146, and amendments thereto, and the certificate of designation may be reinstated by filing a certificate of reinstatement, pursuant to K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,147, and amendments thereto, and in each case, paying to the secretary of state all fees, including any penalties thereon, due to the state.
- (c) No limited liability company or series shall be required to file its first annual report under the Kansas revised limited liability company aet, or pay any annual report fee required to accompany such report, unless such limited liability company has filed its articles of organization or application for authority or the certificate of designation of such series has been filed at least six months prior to the last day of its tax period.
- (f)(h) All copies of applications for extension of the time for filing income tax returns submitted to the secretary of state pursuant to law shall be maintained by the secretary of state in a confidential file and shall not be disclosed to any person except as authorized pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-3234, and amendments thereto, a proper judicial order, or subsection (g). All copies of such applications shall be preserved for one

year and thereafter until the secretary of state orders that they be destroyed.

- $\frac{(g)}{(i)}$  A copy of such application shall be open to inspection by or disclosure to any person who was a member of such limited liability company or series during any part of the period covered by the extension.
- Sec. 24. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,146 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-76,146. (a) A domestic limited liability company whose articles of organization or a foreign limited liability company whose authority to do business has been canceled or forfeited pursuant to K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7926(b), 17-7929(b) or 17-7934(f), and amendments thereto, or whose articles of organization or authority to do business has been forfeited pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139(d), and amendments thereto, may be reinstated by filing with the secretary of state a certificate of reinstatement accompanied by the payment of the fee required by K.S.A. 17-76,136(d), and amendments thereto, and payment of the-annual business entity information report fees due under K.S.A. 17-76,139(c), and amendments thereto, and all penalties and interest thereon due at the time of the eancellation or forfeiture of its articles of organization or authority to do business for all past due reports for the immediately preceding 10 years, and payment to the secretary of state an amount equal to all fees and any penalties due. The certificate of reinstatement shall set forth:
  - (1) The name of the limited liability company at the time its articles of organization or authority to do business was canceled or forfeited and, if such name is not available at the time of reinstatement, the name under which the limited liability company is to be reinstated;
  - (2) the address of the limited liability company's registered office in the state of Kansas and the name and address of the limited liability company's resident agent in the state of Kansas;
- (3) a statement that the certificate of reinstatement is filed by one or more persons authorized to execute and file the certificate of reinstatement to reinstate the limited liability company; and
- (4) any other matters the persons executing the certificate of reinstatement determine to include therein.
- (b) The certificate of reinstatement shall be deemed to be an amendment to the articles of organization or application for registration of the limited liability company, and the limited liability company shall not be required to take any further action to amend its articles of organization or application for registration under K.S.A. 17-7674 or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7935, and amendments thereto, with respect to the matters set forth in the certificate of reinstatement.
- (c) Upon the filing of a certificate of reinstatement, a limited liability company and all series thereof that have been formed and

whose certificate of designation has not been canceled prior to the 1 2 cancellation of the articles of organization shall be reinstated with the same force and effect as if its articles of organization or authority to do 3 business had not been canceled or forfeited pursuant to K.S.A. 17-4 76,139(d) or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7926(b), 17-7929(b) or 17-7934(f), 5 6 and amendments thereto. Such reinstatement shall validate all contracts, 7 acts, matters and things made, done and performed by the limited 8 liability company, its members, managers, employees and agents during the time when its articles of organization or authority to do business was 9 canceled or forfeited pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139(d) or K.S.A. 2020 10 Supp. 17-7926(b), 17-7929(b) or 17-7934(f), and amendments thereto, 11 12 with the same force and effect and to all intents and purposes as if the articles of organization or authority to do business had remained in full 13 force and effect. All real and personal property, and all rights and 14 15 interests, which belonged to the limited liability company at the time its 16 articles of organization or authority to do business was canceled or forfeited pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139(d) or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-17 7926(b), 17-7929(b) or 17-7934(f), and amendments thereto, or which 18 19 were acquired by the limited liability company following the cancellation 20 or forfeiture of its articles of organization or authority to do business 21 pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139(d) or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7926(b), 17-22 7929(b) or 17-7934(f), and amendments thereto, and which were not 23 disposed of prior to the time of its reinstatement, shall be vested in the limited liability company after its reinstatement as fully as they were 24 25 held by the limited liability company at, and after, as the case may be, the time its articles of organization or authority to do business was 26 27 canceled or forfeited pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139(d) or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7926(b), 17-7929(b) or 17-7934(f), and amendments thereto. 28 29 After its reinstatement, the limited liability company shall be as 30 exclusively liable for all contracts, acts, matters and things made, done or performed in its name and on its behalf by its members, managers, 31 32 employees and agents prior to its reinstatement as if its articles of 33 organization or authority to do business had at all times remained in full 34 force and effect. 35

Sec. 23. 25. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-36 76,147 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-76,147. (a) A series 37 whose certificate of designation has been canceled pursuant to K.S.A. 17-38 76,139, and amendments thereto, may be reinstated by filing in the office 39 of the secretary of state a certificate of reinstatement accompanied by the 40 payment of the fee required by K.S.A. 17-76,136(d), and amendments 41 thereto, and payment of the annual business entity information report fee due under K.S.A. 17-76,139(e), and amendments thereto, and all penalties 42 43 and interest thereon due at the time of the cancellation of its certificate of

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designation for all past due reports for the immediately preceding 10 years, and payment to the secretary of state an amount equal to all fees and any penalties due. The certificate of reinstatement shall set forth:

- (1) The name of the limited liability company at the time the certificate of designation was canceled and, if such name has changed, the name of the limited liability company at the time of reinstatement of the series;
- (2) the name of the series at the time the certificate of designation was canceled and, if such name is not available at the time of reinstatement, the name under which the series is to be reinstated;
- (3) a statement that the certificate of reinstatement is filed by one or more persons authorized to execute and file the certificate of reinstatement to reinstate the series; and
- (4) any other matters the persons executing the certificate of reinstatement determine to include therein.
- (b) The certificate of reinstatement shall be deemed to be an amendment to the certificate of designation, and no further actions shall be required to amend its certificate of designation under K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,143(d)(3), and amendments thereto, with respect to the matters set forth in the certificate of reinstatement.
- (c) Upon the filing of a certificate of reinstatement, a series shall be reinstated with the same force and effect as if its certificate of designation had not been canceled pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139, and amendments thereto. Such reinstatement shall validate all contracts, acts, matters and things made, done and performed by the series, its members, managers, employees and agents during the time when its certificate of designation was canceled pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139, and amendments thereto, with the same force and effect and to all intents and purposes as if the certificate of designation had remained in full force and effect. All real and personal property, and all rights and interests, that belonged to the series at the time its certificate of designation was canceled pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139. and amendments thereto, or were acquired by the series following the cancellation of its certificate of designation pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139, and amendments thereto, and were not disposed of prior to the time of its reinstatement, shall be vested in the series after its reinstatement as fully as they were held by the series at, and after, as the case may be, the time its certificate of designation was canceled pursuant to K.S.A. 17-76,139, and amendments thereto. After its reinstatement, the series shall be as exclusively liable for all contracts, acts, matters and things made, done or performed in its name and on its behalf by its members, managers, employees and agents prior to its reinstatement as if its certificate of designation had at all times remained in full force and effect.
  - (d) This section shall take effect on and after July 1, 2020.

Sec. <u>24.</u> 26. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-78-601 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-78-601. (a) When any provision of this act requires any instrument to be filed with the secretary of state, such instrument shall be filed in accordance with this section:

- (1) The document shall contain the information required by this act;
- (2) the document shall be in a record;
- (3) the document shall be in the English language, but the name of an entity need not be in English if written in English letters or Arabic or Roman numerals;
  - (4) the document shall be signed:
  - (A) By an officer of a domestic or foreign corporation;
- (B) by a person authorized by a domestic or foreign entity that is not a corporation; or
- (C) if the entity is in the hands of a receiver, trustee or other court-appointed fiduciary, by that person;
- (5) the instrument shall state the name and capacity of the person that signed it;
- (6) any signature on instruments authorized to be filed with the secretary of state under this act may be a facsimile, *an electronic signature*, a conformed signature or an electronically transmitted signature. The execution of any instrument required to be filed with the secretary of state shall constitute an oath or affirmation, under the penalties of perjury, that the facts stated in the instrument are true; and
- (7) the instrument shall be delivered to the office of the secretary of state for filing. Delivery may be made by electronic transmission if and to the extent permitted by the secretary of state.
- (b) When a document is delivered to the office of the secretary of state for filing, the correct filing fee and any tax, fee or penalty required to be paid by this act or other law shall be paid. The secretary of state shall establish by rule and regulation the filing fees for instruments filed pursuant to this act.
- (c) Upon delivery of the instrument and upon tender of the required fees and any taxes:
- (1) The secretary of state shall certify that the instrument has been filed in the office of secretary of state by endorsing upon the original signed instrument the word "Filed" and the date and hour of its filing. This endorsement is the "filing date" of the instrument and is conclusive of the date and time of its filing in the absence of actual fraud. The secretary of state shall thereupon record the endorsed instrument in an electronic medium; and
- 41 (2) the secretary of state shall return a certified copy of the recorded 42 instrument.
  - (d) Any instrument filed in accordance with this section shall be

 effective upon its filing date unless a later effective date, not to exceed 90 days from the date of filing, was specified in the instrument.

- (e) If any instrument authorized to be filed with the secretary of state is filed and is inaccurately, defectively or erroneously executed or otherwise defective in any respect, the secretary of state shall not be liable to any person for the preclearance for filing, the acceptance for filing or the filing and indexing such instrument.
- (f) Whenever a provision of this act permits any of the terms of an agreement or a filed document to be dependent on facts objectively ascertainable outside the agreement or filed document, the following rules apply:
- (1) The manner in which the facts will operate upon the terms of the agreement or filed document must be set forth in the agreement or filed document:
  - (2) the facts may include, but are not limited to:
- (A) Any of the following that is available in a nationally recognized news or information medium either in print or electronically, statistical or market indices, market prices of any security or group of securities, interest rates, currency exchange rates or similar economic or financial data:
- (B) a determination or action by any person or body, including the entity or any other party to an agreement or filed document; or
- (C) the terms of, or actions taken under, an agreement to which the entity is a party or any other agreement or document;
- (3) in this subsection, "filed document" means a document filed with the secretary of state under this act. The following provisions of an agreement or filed document may not be made dependent on facts outside the agreement or filed document:
- (A) The name and address of any person required in a filed document;
  - (B) the registered office of any entity required in a filed document;
  - (C) the resident agent of any entity required in a filed document;
- (D) the number of authorized shares and designation of each class or series of shares of a corporation;
  - (E) the effective date of a filed document; and
- (F) any required statement in a filed document of the manner in which that approval was given;
- (4) if a provision of a filed document is made dependent on a fact ascertainable outside of the filed document and that fact is not ascertainable by reference to a source described in subsection (c)(2)(A) or a document that is a matter of public record, or if the affected interest holders have not received notice of the fact from the entity, the entity shall file with the secretary of state a certificate of amendment setting forth the

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- 1 fact promptly after the fact referred to is first ascertainable or thereafter 2 changes.
  - Sec. 25. 27. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7903 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7903. The following documents related to corporations shall be filed with the secretary of state:
    - (a) For-profit filings:
  - (1) For-profit articles of incorporation as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6002, and amendments thereto;
- (2) professional association articles of incorporation as set forth in K.S.A. 17-2709, 17-2711 and 17-6002, and amendments thereto; 10
  - (3) close corporation articles of incorporation as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6426, 17-7201, 17-7202 and 17-7203, and amendments thereto;
  - (4) public benefit corporation articles of incorporation as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-72a02, and amendments thereto;
- (5) certificate of validation as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-15 16 6428, and amendments thereto:
- (6) foreign for-profit application for authority as set forth in K.S.A. 17 2020 Supp. 17-7931—and K.S.A. 17-7307 through 17-7510, and 18 19 amendments thereto:
- 20 (7) for-profit-annual business entity information report as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7503 and 17-7505, and amendments thereto;
- 22 (8) professional association-annual business entity information report 23 as set forth in K.S.A. 17-2718, and amendments thereto;
- 24 (9) for-profit certificate of amendment as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6003, 25 17-6401, 17-6601, 17-6602 and 17-6603, and amendments thereto:
- (10) amendment to professional associations as set forth in K.S.A. 26 27 17-2709, and amendments thereto;
  - (11) foreign for-profit corporation certificate of amendment as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7302, and amendments thereto;
- (12) restated articles of incorporation as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6605, 30 31 and amendments thereto:
- 32 (13) change of registered office or resident agent as set forth in 33 K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7926, 17-7927, 17-7928 and 17-7929, and 34 amendments thereto;
- 35 (14) for-profit certificate of correction as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 36 Supp. 17-7912, and amendments thereto;
- 37 (15) mergers as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6701 through 17-6708, and 38 amendments thereto:
- 39 foreign mergers as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7302, and amendments (16)40 thereto:
- 41 (17) certificate of amendment or termination of merger as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6701, and amendments thereto; 42
- 43 (18) foreign corporation merger as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7302, and

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- (19) certificate of reinstatement as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7002, and amendments thereto;
- (20) certificate of dissolution prior to commencing business as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6803, and amendments thereto;
- 6 (21) certificate of dissolution by stockholder's meeting as set forth in 7 K.S.A. 17-6804, and amendments thereto;
- 8 (22) certificate of dissolution by written consent as set forth in K.S.A. 9 17-6804, and amendments thereto;
- 10 (23) foreign certificate of cancellation as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 11 Supp. 17-7936, and amendments thereto; and
  - (24) certificate of revocation of dissolution as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7001, and amendments thereto.
    - (b) Not-for-profit filings:
- 15 (1) Not-for-profit articles of incorporation as set forth in K.S.A. 17-16 6002, and amendments thereto;
- 17 (2) foreign not-for-profit application for authority as set forth in 18 K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7931, and amendments thereto;
- 19 (3) not-for-profit-annual business entity information report as set forth 20 in K.S.A. 17-7504, and amendments thereto;
- 21 (4) not-for-profit certificate of amendment as set forth in K.S.A. 17-22 6602, and amendments thereto;
  - (5) not-for-profit certificate of correction as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7912, and amendments thereto;
  - (6) not-for-profit change of registered office or resident agent as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7926, 17-7927, 17-7928 and 17-7929, and amendments thereto;
- 28 (7) not-for-profit certificate of reinstatement as set forth in K.S.A. 17-29 7002, and amendments thereto; and
- 30 (8) certificate of dissolution as set forth in K.S.A. 17-6803, 17-6804 and 17-6805, and amendments thereto.
  - Sec. <u>26.</u> 28. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7904 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7904. The following documents related to limited liability companies shall be filed with the secretary of state:
  - (a) Articles of organization as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7673 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7673a, and amendments thereto;
  - (b) professional articles of organization as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7673 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7673a, and amendments thereto;
  - (c) series limited liability company articles of organization as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,143, and amendments thereto;
- 42 (d) foreign limited liability company application for authority as set 43 forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7931, and amendments thereto;

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- 1 (e) foreign series limited liability company application for admission to transact business as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7931 and K.S.A. 2 2020 Supp. 17-76,143, and amendments thereto; 3
  - (f) annual business entity information report as set forth in K.S.A. 17-76,139, and amendments thereto;
  - (g) certificate of amendment as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7674 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7674a and 17-76,143, and amendments thereto;
- (h) restated articles of organization as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7680, and amendments thereto; 9
  - (i) series certificate of designation as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,143, and amendments thereto;
  - (j) certificate of amendment or termination to certificate of merger or consolidation as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7681 or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,143a, and amendments thereto;
- (k) certificate of correction as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-15 16 7912, and amendments thereto:
- (1) foreign certificate of correction as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17 18 17-7912, and amendments thereto;
- 19 (m) change of registered office or resident agent as set forth in K.S.A. 20 2020 Supp. 17-7926, 17-7927, 17-7928 and 17-7929, and amendments 21 thereto:
- 22 (n) mergers or consolidations as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7681 or 23 K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-76,143a, and amendments thereto;
- (o) reinstatement as set forth in K.S.A. 17-76,139 or K.S.A. 2020 24 25 Supp. 17-76-147, and amendments thereto:
- (p) certificate of cancellation as set forth in K.S.A. 17-7675 or K.S.A 26 2020 Supp. 17-76,143, and amendments thereto; 27
  - (q) foreign cancellation of registration as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7936, and amendments thereto; and
- (r) certificate of division as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7685a, 30 31 and amendments thereto.
  - Sec. <u>27.</u> 29. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7905 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7905. (a) The following documents related to limited partnerships shall be filed with the secretary of state:
- 36 (1)(a) Certificate of limited partnership as set forth in K.S.A. 56-37 1a151, and amendments thereto;
- 38  $\frac{(2)}{(b)}$  foreign application for registration as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 39 Supp. 17-7931, and amendments thereto;
- $\frac{(3)}{(c)}$  annual business entity information report as set forth in K.S.A. 40 56-1a606 and 56-1a607, and amendments thereto; 41
- 42 (4)(d) amendment to certificate as set forth in K.S.A. 56-1a152, and 43 amendments thereto;

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- 1 (5)(e) restated certificate as set forth in K.S.A. 56-1a160, and 2 amendments thereto;
- 3 (6)(f) change of registered office or resident agent as set forth in 4 K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7926, 17-7927, 17-7928 and 17-7929, and 5 amendments thereto;
- 6 (7)(g) foreign certificate of amendment or correction as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7912, and amendments thereto;
- 8 (8)(h) mergers as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-78,201 through 9 17-78,206, and amendments thereto;
- 10 (9)(i) reinstatement as set forth in K.S.A. 56-1a606 and 56-1a607, and amendments thereto;
- 12  $\frac{(10)}{(j)}$  cancellation as set forth in K.S.A. 56-1a153, and amendments thereto; and
- 14 (11)(k) foreign cancellation of registration as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 15 Supp. 17-7936, and amendments thereto.
  - (b) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2015.
  - Sec. <u>28.</u> 30. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7906 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7906. (a) The following documents related to limited liability partnerships shall be filed with the secretary of state:
- 21  $\frac{\text{(1)}(a)}{\text{(a)}}$  Statement of qualification as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-1001, and 22 amendments thereto;
- 23 (2)(b) foreign statement of qualification as set forth in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7931, and amendments thereto;
  - (3)(c) annual business entity information report as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-1201 and 56a-1202, and amendments thereto;
- 27 (4)(d) amendment to statement of qualification as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-105, and amendments thereto;
- 29 (5)(e) change of registered office or resident agent as set forth in 30 K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7926, 17-7927, 17-7928 and 17-7929, and 31 amendments thereto;
- 32 (6)(f) reinstatement as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-1201, and amendments thereto;
  - $\frac{7}{g}$  cancellation of statement as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-105, and amendments thereto;
- 36 (8)(h) statement of denial as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-304, and amendments thereto;
- 38  $\frac{(9)}{(i)}$  statement of dissociation as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-704, and amendments thereto;
- $\frac{(10)}{(j)}$  statement of dissolution as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-105 and 56a-805, and amendments thereto; and
- 42 (11)(k) statement of merger as set forth in K.S.A. 56a-907, and 43 amendments thereto.

(b) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2015.

Sec. <u>29.</u> 31. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7910 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7910. When any document is required by this act to be filed with the secretary of state, such requirement means that:

- (a) The original signed document shall be delivered to the office of the secretary of state, where the document shall be recorded in an electronic medium. Any signature on documents authorized to be filed with the secretary of state under the provisions of this act may be a facsimile, a conformed signature, an electronic signature or an electronically transmitted signature;
- (b) all taxes and fees authorized by law to be collected by the secretary of state in connection with the filing of the document shall be tendered to the secretary of state;
- (c) upon delivery of the document, and upon tender of the required taxes and fees, the secretary of state shall, if the secretary of state finds that the document conforms to law, certify that the document has been filed in the office of the secretary of state by endorsing upon the electronically-recorded electronically recorded document the word "Filed" and the date and hour of its filing. This endorsement is the "filing date" of the document and is conclusive of the date and time of its filing in the absence of actual fraud. The secretary of state shall thereupon record the endorsed document in an electronic medium and that electronic document shall become the original document; and
- (d) the secretary of state shall return a certified copy of the recorded document to the person who filed the document or that person's representative, except this provision shall not apply to annual reports.
- (e) A person who executes any document required by this act to be filed with the secretary of state, including a person who executes such document as an agent or fiduciary, shall not be required to exhibit evidence of the person's authority as a prerequisite to filing such documents with the secretary of state.
- Sec. <u>30.</u> 32. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7910, as amended by section <u>29</u> 31 of this act, is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7910. When any document is required by this act to be filed with the secretary of state, such requirement means that:
- (a) The original signed document shall be delivered to the office of the secretary of state, where the document shall be recorded in an electronic medium. Any signature on documents authorized to be filed with the secretary of state under the provisions of this act may be a facsimile, a conformed signature, an electronic signature or an electronically transmitted signature;
- (b) all taxes and fees authorized by law to be collected by the secretary of state in connection with the filing of the document shall be

tendered to the secretary of state;

- (c) upon delivery of the document, and upon tender of the required taxes and fees, the secretary of state shall, if the secretary of state finds that the document conforms to law, certify that the document has been filed in the office of the secretary of state by endorsing upon the electronically recorded document the word "Filed" and the date and hour of its filing. This endorsement is the "filing date" of the document and is conclusive of the date and time of its filing in the absence of actual fraud. The secretary of state shall thereupon record the endorsed document in an electronic medium and that electronic document shall become the original document; and
- (d) the secretary of state shall return a certified copy of the recorded document to the person who filed the document or that person's representative, except this provision shall not apply to—annual business entity information reports.
- (e) A person who executes any document required by this act to be filed with the secretary of state, including a person who executes such document as an agent or fiduciary, shall not be required to exhibit evidence of the person's authority as a prerequisite to filing such documents with the secretary of state.
- Sec. 31. 33. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7936 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17-7936. (a) A foreign covered entity may cancel its registration by filing with the secretary of state a certificate of cancellation executed by an authorized person, together with a fee if authorized by law, as provided by K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-7910, and amendments thereto, and the annual business entity information report and annual report required fee for any tax period which has ended. The certificate of cancellation shall state that the foreign covered entity surrenders its authority to transact business in the state of Kansas and withdraws therefrom. The certificate of cancellation shall provide the address to which the secretary of state may mail any process against the foreign covered entity that may be served upon the secretary of state. A cancellation does not terminate the authority of the secretary of state to accept service of process on the foreign covered entity with respect to causes of action arising out of the doing of business in the state of Kansas.
- (b) The filing of a certificate of dissolution or certificate of cancellation issued by the proper official of the state or other jurisdiction in which a foreign covered entity is organized shall have the same effect as the filing of a certificate of cancellation as provided for in subsection (a) above.
  - (c) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2015.
- Sec. 34. K.S.A. 45-106 is hereby amended to read as follows: 45-106. The secretary of state shall dispose of the laws passed at each

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42 43 session of the legislature, immediately after their publication, as follows:

First. Deposit in the state library such numbers of copies as are needed for use in the state library, for the purposes of the publication collection and depository system established under K.S.A. 75-2566, and amendments thereto, and for the purpose of making exchanges with the libraries of the several states and territories.

Second. Distribute: (a) One copy to the governor, lieutenant governor, each member of the state legislature, attorney general, secretary of state; and state historical society library, upon request therefor; (b) to each organized city of the first, second and third classes in this state requesting the same; (c) one copy each to the clerk of the United States court of appeals for the 10th circuit, to the clerk of the United States district court for Kansas and to the United States marshal for the district of Kansas, upon request therefor; (d) to the law department of the university of Kansas, not more than 10 copies and to the Washburn university school of law, not more than 10 copies, upon request therefor; (e) to the director of legislative administrative services such number of copies as such director shall request for use by the legislature; (f) to the office of revisor of statutes such number of copies as the revisor of statutes shall request for use in such office; (g) to the legislative research department such number of copies as the director of legislative research shall request for use in such office; (h) to the division of post audit such number of copies as the post auditor shall request for use in such office; (i) to the several offices of the judicial branch of state government such number of copies as the chief justice of the supreme court shall request for use in such offices; and (j) to the supreme court law library such number of copies as the state law librarian shall request for use in the law library and for the purpose of maintaining exchanges for books, documents and publications of a legal nature for use in the law library.

Third. To the clerk of the board of county commissioners of each county, upon request therefor, a sufficient number of copies of the laws to be distributed by such clerk to each of the following officers in such county, allowing one for each: The district attorney or county attorney, register of deeds, county clerk, county treasurer, sheriff; and the board of county commissioners.

Fourth. Copies of the laws passed at each session of the legislature shall be deposited with the state librarian and such librarian is hereby authorized to furnish one copy to each high school, college, university, and public library in the state of Kansas, upon written application of its managing officer to the state librarian.

Sec. 35. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 45-107 is hereby amended to read as follows: 45-107. (a) The secretary of state shall sell copies of the session

 laws at the per volume price for such copies fixed by the secretary of state under this section. The secretary of state shall remit all moneys received under this section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the information and services fee fund of the secretary of state.

- (b) Whenever the inventory of copies of any volume of the session laws exceeds 100 and a later volume of the session laws has been published, the secretary of state may dispose of copies of such volume without making a charge therefor until the inventory of such volume is reduced to 100 copies. When the inventory of any volume of the session laws is 100 copies or less, the secretary of state, with the approval of the revisor of statutes, may dispose of copies from such inventory without making a charge therefor.
- (c) The secretary of state shall fix by rules and regulations-the per volume price for copies of the session laws sold under this section to recover the costs of printing, binding publishing and storing such volumes, whether published in print or electronic form. The secretary of state shall revise all such prices from time to time as necessary for the purposes of covering and recovering such costs.

Sec. <u>32.</u> 36. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 45-229 is hereby amended to read as follows: 45-229. (a) It is the intent of the legislature that exceptions to disclosure under the open records act shall be created or maintained only if:

- (1) The public record is of a sensitive or personal nature concerning individuals;
- (2) the public record is necessary for the effective and efficient administration of a governmental program; or
  - (3) the public record affects confidential information.

The maintenance or creation of an exception to disclosure must be compelled as measured by these criteria. Further, the legislature finds that the public has a right to have access to public records unless the criteria in this section for restricting such access to a public record are met and the criteria are considered during legislative review in connection with the particular exception to disclosure to be significant enough to override the strong public policy of open government. To strengthen the policy of open government, the legislature shall consider the criteria in this section before enacting an exception to disclosure.

(b) Subject to the provisions of subsections (g) and (h), any new exception to disclosure or substantial amendment of an existing exception shall expire on July 1 of the fifth year after enactment of the new exception or substantial amendment, unless the legislature acts to continue

the exception. A law that enacts a new exception or substantially amends an existing exception shall state that the exception expires at the end of five years and that the exception shall be reviewed by the legislature before the scheduled date.

- (c) For purposes of this section, an exception is substantially amended if the amendment expands the scope of the exception to include more records or information. An exception is not substantially amended if the amendment narrows the scope of the exception.
- (d) This section is not intended to repeal an exception that has been amended following legislative review before the scheduled repeal of the exception if the exception is not substantially amended as a result of the review.
- (e) In the year before the expiration of an exception, the revisor of statutes shall certify to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives, by July 15, the language and statutory citation of each exception that will expire in the following year that meets the criteria of an exception as defined in this section. Any exception that is not identified and certified to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives is not subject to legislative review and shall not expire. If the revisor of statutes fails to certify an exception that the revisor subsequently determines should have been certified, the revisor shall include the exception in the following year's certification after that determination.
- (f) "Exception" means any provision of law that creates an exception to disclosure or limits disclosure under the open records act pursuant to K.S.A. 45-221, and amendments thereto, or pursuant to any other provision of law.
- (g) A provision of law that creates or amends an exception to disclosure under the open records law shall not be subject to review and expiration under this act if such provision:
  - (1) Is required by federal law;
  - (2) applies solely to the legislature or to the state court system;
- (3) has been reviewed and continued in existence twice by the legislature; or
- (4) has been reviewed and continued in existence by the legislature during the 2013 legislative session and thereafter.
- (h) (1) The legislature shall review the exception before its scheduled expiration and consider as part of the review process the following:
  - (A) What specific records are affected by the exception;
- (B) whom does the exception uniquely affect, as opposed to the general public;
  - (C) what is the identifiable public purpose or goal of the exception;
  - (D) whether the information contained in the records may be obtained

readily by alternative means and how it may be obtained;

- (2) an exception may be created or maintained only if it serves an identifiable public purpose and may be no broader than is necessary to meet the public purpose it serves. An identifiable public purpose is served if the legislature finds that the purpose is sufficiently compelling to override the strong public policy of open government and cannot be accomplished without the exception and if the exception:
- (A) Allows the effective and efficient administration of a governmental program that would be significantly impaired without the exception;
- (B) protects information of a sensitive personal nature concerning individuals, the release of such information would be defamatory to such individuals or cause unwarranted damage to the good name or reputation of such individuals or would jeopardize the safety of such individuals. Only information that would identify the individuals may be excepted under this paragraph; or
- (C) protects information of a confidential nature concerning entities, including, but not limited to, a formula, pattern, device, combination of devices, or compilation of information that is used to protect or further a business advantage over those who do not know or use it, if the disclosure of such information would injure the affected entity in the marketplace.
- (3) Records made before the date of the expiration of an exception shall be subject to disclosure as otherwise provided by law. In deciding whether the records shall be made public, the legislature shall consider whether the damage or loss to persons or entities uniquely affected by the exception of the type specified in paragraph (2)(B) or (2)(C) would occur if the records were made public.
- (i) (1) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as continued in existence in section 2 of chapter 126 of the 2005 Session Laws of Kansas and that have been reviewed and continued in existence twice by the legislature as provided in subsection (g) are hereby continued in existence: 1-401, 2-1202, 5-512, 9-1137, 9-1712, 9-2217, 10-630, 11-306, 12-189, 12-1,108, 12-1694, 12-1698, 12-2819, 12-4516, 16-715, 16a-2-304, 17-1312e, 17-2227, 17-5832, 17-7511, 17-7514, 17-76,139, 19-4321, 21-2511, 22-3711, 22-4707, 22-4909, 22a-243, 22a-244, 23-605, 23-9,312, 25-4161, 25-4165, 31-405, 34-251, 38-2212, 39-709b, 39-719e, 39-934, 39-1434, 39-1704, 40-222, 40-2,156, 40-2c20, 40-2c21, 40-2d20, 40-2d21, 40-409, 40-956, 40-1128, 40-2807, 40-3012, 40-3304, 40-3308, 40-3403b, 40-3421, 40-3613, 40-3805, 40-4205, 44-510j, 44-550b, 44-594, 44-635, 44-714, 44-817, 44-1005, 44-1019, 45-221(a)(1) through (43), 46-256, 46-259, 46-2201, 47-839, 47-844, 47-849, 47-1709, 48-1614, 49-406, 49-427, 55-1,102, 58-4114, 59-2135, 59-2802, 59-2979, 59-29b79, 60-3333, 60-

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- 4 65-2898a, 65-3015, 65-3447, 65-34,108, 65-34,126, 65-4019, 65-4922,
- 5 65-4925, 65-5602, 65-5603, 65-6002, 65-6003, 65-6004, 65-6010, 65-
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- 8 1228, 74-2424, 74-2433f, 74-32,419, 74-4905, 74-4909, 74-50,131, 74-
- 9 5515, 74-7308, 74-7338, 74-8104, 74-8307, 74-8705, 74-8804, 74-9805,
- 10 75-104, 75-712, 75-7b15, 75-1267, 75-2943, 75-4332, 75-4362, 75-5133,
- 75-5266, 75-5665, 75-5666, 75-7310, 76-355, 76-359, 76-493, 76-12b11, 11
- 12 76-12c03, 76-3305, 79-1119, 79-1437f, 79-3234, 79-3395, 79-3420, 79-
- 13 3499, 79-34,113, 79-3614, 79-3657, 79-4301 and 79-5206.
  - (2) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as certified by the revisor of statutes to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives pursuant to subsection (e) and that have been reviewed during the 2015 legislative session and continued in existence by the legislature as provided in subsection (g) are hereby continued in existence: 17-2036, 40-5301, 45-221(a)(45), (46) and (49), 48-16a10, 58-4616, 60-3351, 72-3415, 74-50,217 and 75-53,105.
  - (i) (1) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as continued in existence in section 1 of chapter 87 of the 2006 Session Laws of Kansas and that have been reviewed and continued in existence twice by the legislature as provided in subsection (g) are hereby continued in existence: 1-501, 9-1303, 12-4516a, 39-970, 65-525, 65-5117, 65-6016, 65-6017 and 74-7508.
  - (2) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as certified by the revisor of statutes to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives pursuant to subsection (e) during 2015 and that have been reviewed during the 2016 legislative session are hereby continued in existence: 12-5611, 22-4906, 22-4909, 38-2310, 38-2311, 38-2326, 40-955, 44-1132, 45-221(a)(10)(F) and (a)(50), 60-3333, 65-4a05, 65-445(g), 65-6154, 71-218, 75-457, 75-712c, 75-723 and 75-7c06.
- 34 (k) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as certified by the 35 revisor of statutes to the president of the senate and the speaker of the 36 house of representatives pursuant to subsection (e) and that have been 37 reviewed during the 2014 legislative session and continued in existence by 38 the legislature as provided in subsection (g) are hereby continued in 39 existence: 1-205, 2-2204, 8-240, 8-247, 8-255c, 8-1324, 8-1325, 12-40 17,150, 12-2001, 17-12a607, 38-1008, 38-2209, 40-5006, 40-5108, 41-41 2905, 41-2906, 44-706, 44-1518, 45-221(a)(44), (45), (46), (47) and (48),
- 42 50-6a11, <del>56-1a610</del>, <del>56a-1204</del>, 65-1,243, 65-16,104, 65-3239, 74-50,184,
- 43 74-8134, 74-99b06, 77-503a and 82a-2210.

- (l) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as certified by the revisor of statutes to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives pursuant to subsection (e) during 2016 and that have been reviewed during the 2017 legislative session are hereby continued in existence: 12-5711, 21-2511, 22-4909, 38-2313, 45-221(a) (51) and (52), 65-516, 65-1505, 74-2012, 74-5607, 74-8745, 74-8752, 74-8772, 75-7d01, 75-7d05, 75-5133, 75-7427 and 79-3234.
- (m) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as certified by the revisor of statutes to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives pursuant to subsection (e) during 2012 and that have been reviewed during the 2013 legislative session and continued in existence by the legislature as provided in subsection (g) are hereby continued in existence: 12-5811, 40-222, 40-223j, 40-5007a, 40-5009a, 40-5012a, 65-1685, 65-1695, 65-2838a, 66-1251, 66-1805, 72-8268, 75-712 and 75-5366.
- (n) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as certified by the revisor of statutes to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives pursuant to subsection (e) and that have been reviewed during the 2018 legislative session are hereby continued in existence: 9-513c(c)(2), 39-709, 45-221(a)(26), (53) and (54), 65-6832, 65-6834, 75-7c06 and 75-7c20.
- (o) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as certified by the revisor of statutes to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives pursuant to subsection (e) that have been reviewed during the 2019 legislative session are hereby continued in existence: 21-2511(h)(2), 21-5905(a)(7), 22-2302(b) and (c), 22-2502(d) and (e), 40-222(k)(7), 44-714(e), 45-221(a)(55), 46-1106(g) regarding 46-1106(i), 65-2836(i), 65-2839a(c), 65-2842(d), 65-28a05(n), article 6(d) of 65-6230, 72-6314(a) and 74-7047(b).
- (p) Exceptions contained in the following statutes as certified by the revisor of statutes to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives pursuant to subsection (e) that have been reviewed during the 2020 legislative session are hereby continued in existence: 38-2310(c), 40-409(j)(2), 40-6007(a), 45-221(a)(52), 46-1129, 59-29a22(b)(10) and 65-6747.
- Sec. 37. K.S.A. 45-315 is hereby amended to read as follows: 45-315. The secretary of state shall furnish to the state printer, within twenty (20) days after the sine die adjournment of each legislative session-occurring in odd-numbered years and within forty (40) days after the sine die adjournment of the legislative session occurring in even-numbered years, a copy of all acts, resolutions and other matters except the index which are required to be published and bound in the session laws, and in the form required by K.S.A. 45-301. Thereupon After the sine die

adjournment of each legislative session, the state printer and the secretary of state shall complete preparation and printing of at least a limited number of each volume of the session laws for publication on or before July 1 of such year. The state printer shall thereafter, as rapidly as practicable, print and deliver to the secretary of state bound copies as provided by law.

- Sec. <u>33.</u> 38. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 53-601 is hereby amended to read as follows: 53-601. (a) Except as provided by subsection (b), whenever a law of this state or any rules and regulations, order or requirement adopted or issued thereunder requires or permits a matter to be supported, evidenced, established or proved by the sworn written declaration, verification, certificate, statement, oath or affidavit of a person, such matter may be supported, evidenced, established or proved with the same force and effect by the unsworn written declaration, verification, certificate or statement dated and subscribed by the person as true, under penalty of perjury, in substantially the following form:
- (1) If executed outside this state: "I declare (or verify, certify or state) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date).

(Signature)"

(2) If executed in this state: "I declare (or verify, certify or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date).

(Signature)"

- (b) The provisions of subsection (a) do not apply to the following oaths:
  - (1) An oath of office.
- (2) An oath required to be taken before a specified official other than a notary public.
- (3) An oath of a testator or witnesses as required for wills, codicils, revocations of wills and codicils and republications of wills and codicils.
- (c) A notarial act performed prior to the effective date of this act is not affected by this act. Nothing in this act diminishes or invalidates the recognition accorded to notarial acts by other laws of this state or rules and regulations adopted thereunder.
- (d) On or after July 1, 1989, whenever an officer or partner listed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 17-2718(d), subsection (e) of K.S.A. 17-7503(e), subsection (e) of K.S.A. 17-7504(e), subsection (e) of K.S.A. 17-7505(e), subsection (d) of K.S.A. 56-1a606-or subsection (d) of (e) or K.S.A. 56-1a607(e), and amendments thereto, is required to execute a report before a notary or swear an oath before an officer authorized to administer oaths, in lieu thereof, such person may execute an unsworn declaration if such declaration is in substantial conformity with subsections (a), (b) and (c) of

this section.

- (e) On or after July 1, 1990, subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall have general application.
- Sec. <u>34.</u> 39. K.S.A. 56-1a151 is hereby amended to read as follows: 56-1a151. (a) In order to form a limited partnership, a certificate of limited partnership must be executed and filed in the office of the secretary of state. Such certificate shall set forth:
  - (1) The name of the limited partnership;
- (2) the address of the registered office and the name and address of the resident agent for service of process required to be maintained by K.S.A. 56-1a104 2020 Supp. 17-7925, and amendments thereto;
- 12 (3) the name and the business or residence address of each general partner;
  14 (4) the latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve:
  - (4) the latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve; and
  - (5) any other matters the general partners determine to include in the certificate.
  - (b) A limited partnership is formed at the time of the filing of the initial certificate of limited partnership in the office of the secretary of state or at any later time specified in the certificate of limited partnership if, in either case, there has been substantial compliance with the requirements of this section.
  - Sec. <u>35.</u> 40. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 56-1a605 is hereby amended to read as follows: 56-1a605. (a) The secretary of state shall charge each domestic and foreign limited partnership the following fees:
  - (1) For issuing or filing and indexing any of the documents described below, a fee of \$20:
    - (A) A certificate of amendment of limited partnership;
    - (B) a restated certificate of limited partnership;
    - (C) a certificate of cancellation of limited partnership;
  - (D) a certificate of change of location of registered office or registered agent; and
  - (E) any certificate, affidavit, agreement or any other paper provided for in this act, for which no different fee is specifically prescribed;
  - (2) for certified copies, a fee of \$7.50 for each copy certified plus a fee per page, if the secretary of state supplies the copies, in an amount fixed by the secretary of state and approved by the director of accounts and reports for copies of corporate documents under K.S.A. 45-204 and amendments thereto;
  - (3) for each certificate of good standing and certificate of fact issued by the secretary of state, a fee of \$7.50;
- 42 (4) for a report of record search, a fee of \$5, but furnishing the following information shall not be considered a record search and no

 charge shall be made therefor: name of the limited partnership and the address of its registered office; name and address of the resident agent; the state of the limited partnership's formation; the date of filing of its certificate of limited partnership or—annual business entity information report; and date of expiration; and

- (5) for photocopies of instruments on file or prepared by the secretary of state's office and which are not certified, a fee per page in an amount fixed by the secretary of state and approved by the director of accounts and reports for copies of corporate documents under K.S.A. 45-204 and amendments thereto.
- (b) Every limited partnership hereafter formed in this state shall pay to the secretary of state at the time of filing its certificate of limited partnership, an application and recording fee of \$150.
- (c) At the time of filing its application to do business, every foreign limited partnership shall pay to the secretary of state an application and recording fee of \$150.
- (d) The secretary of state shall not charge any fees for the documents or services described in this section upon an official request by any agency of this state or of the United States, or by any officer or employee thereof.
- Sec. <u>36</u>: 41. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 56-1a606 is hereby amended to read as follows: 56-1a606. (a) Every limited partnership organized under the laws of this state shall make an annual a written business entity information report—in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the limited partnership at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing. If the limited partnership's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice of its different tax period to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences the different tax period.
- (b) The annual report shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the limited partnership filed its formation documents. A limited partnership that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A limited partnership that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the limited partnership's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the limited partnership's annual Kansas income tax return.
- $\frac{\text{(b)}(c)}{\text{The annual}}$  report shall be made on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The report and shall contain the following information:
  - (1) The name of the limited partnership; and
- (2) a list of the partners owning at least 5% of the capital of the partnership, with the address of each.
  - $\frac{(e)}{(d)}$  Every limited partnership subject to the provisions of this

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section—which that is a limited agricultural partnership, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, and which that holds agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, within this state shall show the following additional information on the report:

- (1) The number of acres and location, listed by section, range, township and county of each lot, tract or parcel of agricultural land in this state owned or leased by the limited partnership; and
- (2) whether any of the agricultural land held and reported under subsection (e)(1) paragraph (1) was acquired after July 1, 1981.
- (d)(e) The annual report shall be signed by the general partner or partners of the limited partnership under penalty of perjury and forwarded to the secretary of state.
- (f) At the time of filing-the its business entity information report, the limited partnership shall pay to the secretary of state an annual report a fee in an amount equal to \$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- $\frac{(e)}{(g)}$  The provisions of K.S.A. 17-7509, and amendments thereto. relating to penalties for failure of a corporation to file-an annual a business entity information report or pay the required-annual report fee, and the provisions of K.S.A. 17-7510(a), and amendments thereto, relating to forfeiture of a domestic corporation's articles of incorporation for failure to file an annual a business entity information report or pay the required annual report fee, shall be applicable to the certificate of partnership of any limited partnership—which that fails to file its—annual business entity information report or pay the annual report required fee within 90 days of the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying the same or, in the case of an annual a report filing and fee received by mail, postmarked 30 within 90 days of the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying the same. Whenever the certificate of partnership of a limited partnership is forfeited for failure to file-an annual a business entity information report or to pay the required-annual report fee, the limited partnership may be reinstated by filing a certificate of reinstatement, in the manner and form to be prescribed by the secretary of state-and paying to the secretary of state all fees, including any penalties thereon, due to the state, and all past due business entity information reports for the immediately preceding 10 years, and payment to the secretary an amount equal to all fees and any penalties due. The fee for filing a certificate of reinstatement shall be the same as that prescribed by K.S.A. 17-7506, and amendments thereto, for filing a certificate of reinstatement of a corporation's articles of incorporation.
  - Sec.<u>-37.</u> 42. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 56-

- 1a607 is hereby amended to read as follows: 56-1a607. (a) Every foreign limited partnership shall make—an annual a written business entity information report in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the limited partnership at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing. If the limited partnership's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice of its different tax period to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences the different tax period.
  - (b) The annual report shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the foreign limited partnership filed its foreign limited partnership application. A foreign limited partnership that filed its application in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A foreign limited partnership that filed its application in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the limited partnership's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the limited partnership's annual Kansas income tax return.
  - $\frac{\text{(b)}(c)}{\text{The-annual}}$  report shall be made on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The report and shall contain the name of the limited partnership.
  - (e)(d) Every foreign limited partnership subject to the provisions of this section—which that is a limited agricultural partnership, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, and—which that holds agricultural land, as defined in K.S.A. 17-5903, and amendments thereto, within this state shall show the following additional information on the report:
  - (1) The number of acres and location, listed by section, range, township and county of agricultural land in this state owned or leased by the limited partnership; and
  - (2) whether any of the agricultural land held and reported under subsection (e)(1) paragraph (1) was acquired after July 1, 1981.
  - (d)(e) The annual report shall be signed by the general partner or partners of the limited partnership under penalty of perjury and forwarded to the secretary of state.
  - (f) At the time of filing—the its business entity information report, the foreign limited partnership shall pay to the secretary of state—an annual report a fee in an amount equal to—\$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
  - (e)(g) The provisions of K.S.A. 17-7509, and amendments thereto, relating to penalties for failure of a corporation to file an annual a business entity information report or pay the required—annual report fee, and the provisions of K.S.A. 17-7510(b), and amendments thereto, relating to

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1 forfeiture of a foreign corporation's authority to do business in this state 2 for failure to file an annual a business entity information report or pay the 3 required—annual report fee, shall be applicable to the authority of any 4 foreign limited partnership which fails to file its-annual business entity 5 information report or pay the annual report required fee within 90 days of 6 the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying the same or, in the 7 case of an annual a report filing and fee received by mail, postmarked 8 within 90 days of the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying 9 the same. Whenever the authority of a foreign limited partnership to do business in this state is forfeited for failure to file an annual a business 10 entity information report or to pay the required-annual report fee, the 11 12 foreign limited partnership's authority to do business in this state may be 13 reinstated by filing a certificate of reinstatement, in the manner and form 14 to be prescribed by the secretary of state and paying to the secretary of 15 state all fees, including any penalties thereon, due to the state, and all past 16 due business entity information reports for the immediately preceding 10 17 years, and payment to the secretary of state an amount equal to all fees 18 and any penalties due. The fee for filing a certificate of reinstatement 19 shall be the same as that prescribed by K.S.A. 17-7506, and amendments 20 thereto, for filing a certificate of reinstatement of a corporation's articles of 21 incorporation. 22

Sec. <u>38</u>: 43. K.S.A. 56a-101 is hereby amended to read as follows: 56a-101. In this act:

- (a) "Business" includes every trade, occupation, and profession.
- (b) "Debtor in bankruptcy" means a person who is the subject of:
- (1) An order for relief under title 11 of the United States code or a comparable order under a successor statute of general application; or
- (2) a comparable order under federal, state, or foreign law governing insolvency.
- (c) "Distribution" means a transfer of money or other property from a partnership to a partner in the partner's capacity as a partner or to the partner's transferee.
  - d) "Foreign limited liability partnership" means a partnership that:
  - (1) Is formed under laws other than the laws of this state; and
  - (2) has the status of a limited liability partnership under those laws.
- (e) "Limited liability partnership" means a partnership that has filed a statement of qualification under K.S.A. 56a-1001, *and amendments thereto*, and does not have a similar statement in effect in any other jurisdiction.
- (f) "Partnership" means an association of two or more persons to carry on as co-owners a business for profit formed under K.S.A. 56a-202, and amendments thereto, predecessor law, or comparable law of another jurisdiction.

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- "Partnership agreement" means the agreement, whether written, oral, or implied, among the partners concerning the partnership, including amendments to the partnership agreement.
- (h) "Partnership at will" means a partnership in which the partners have not agreed to remain partners until the expiration of a definite term or the completion of a particular undertaking.
- "Partnership interest" or "partner's interest in the partnership" means all of a partner's interests in the partnership, including the partner's transferable interest and all management and other rights.
- "Person" means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, association, joint venture, government, governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or any other legal or commercial entity.
- "Property" means all property, real, personal, or mixed, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein.
- "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.
- (m) "Statement" means a statement of partnership authority under K.S.A. 56a-303, and amendments thereto, a statement of denial under K.S.A. 56a-304, and amendments thereto, a statement of dissociation under K.S.A. 56a-704, and amendments thereto, a statement of dissolution under K.S.A. 56a-805, and amendments thereto, a statement of merger under K.S.A. 56a-907, and amendments thereto, a statement of qualification under K.S.A. 56a-1001, and amendments thereto, a statement of foreign qualification under K.S.A. 56a-1102, and amendments thereto, or an amendment or cancellation of any of the foregoing.
- "Street address" means the location with the number, street, city, state and postal code.
- 30 (o) "Transfer" includes an assignment, conveyance, lease, mortgage, deed, and encumbrance.
  - Sec. <u>39.</u> 44. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 56a-1001 is hereby amended to read as follows: 56a-1001. (a) A partnership may become a limited liability partnership pursuant to this section.
  - (b) The terms and conditions on which a partnership becomes a limited liability partnership must be approved by the vote necessary to amend the partnership agreement except, in the case of a partnership agreement that expressly considers contribution obligations, the vote necessary to amend those provisions.
  - (c) After the approval required by subsection (b), a partnership may become a limited liability partnership by filing a statement of qualification. The statement must contain:
    - (1) The name of the partnership;

- (2) the address of the registered office and the name of the resident agent for service of process required to be maintained pursuant to K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 56a-1005 17-7925, and amendments thereto;
- (3) a statement that the partnership elects to be a limited liability partnership; and
  - (4) a deferred effective date, if any.
- (d) The status of a partnership as a limited liability partnership is effective on the later of the filing of the statement or a date specified in the statement. The status remains effective, regardless of changes in the partnership, until it is canceled pursuant to—subsection (d) of K.S.A. 56a-105(d), and amendments thereto, or revoked pursuant to K.S.A. 56a-1201, and amendments thereto.
- (e) The status of a partnership as a limited liability partnership and the liability of its partners is not affected by errors or later changes in the information required to be contained in the statement of qualification under subsection (c).
- (f) The filing of a statement of qualification establishes that a partnership has satisfied all conditions precedent to the qualification of the partnership as a limited liability partnership.
- (g) An amendment or cancellation of a statement of qualification is effective when it is filed or on a deferred effective date specified in the amendment or cancellation.
- Sec. <u>40.</u> **45.** On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 56a-1201 is hereby amended to read as follows: 56a-1201. (a) Every limited liability partnership organized under the laws of this state shall make—an annual a written business entity information report—in writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the limited liability partnership at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing. If the limited liability partnership's tax period is other than the calendar year, it shall give notice of its different tax period in writing to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences the different tax period.
- (b) The-annual report shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the limited liability partnership filed its limited liability partnership formation documents. A limited liability partnership that filed formation documents in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A limited liability partnership that filed formation documents in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the limited liability partnership's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the limited liability partnership's annual Kansas income tax return.
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42 43 secretary of state. The report and shall contain the following information:

- (1) The name of the limited liability partnership; and
- (2) a list of the partners owning at least 5% of the capital of the partnership, with the address of each.
- $\frac{(e)}{(d)}$  The-annual report shall be signed by a partner of the limited liability partnership under penalty of perjury and forwarded to the secretary of state.
- (e) At the time of filing—the its business entity information report, the limited liability partnership shall pay to the secretary of state—an annual report a fee in an amount equal to—\$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- The provisions of K.S.A. 17-7509, and amendments thereto, <del>(d)</del>(f) relating to penalties for failure of a corporation to file an annual a business entity information report or pay the required-annual report fee, and the provisions of K.S.A. 17-7510(a), and amendments thereto, relating to penalties for failure of a corporation to file an annual a business entity information report or pay the required-annual report fee, shall be applicable to the statement of qualification of any limited liability partnership—which that fails to file its-annual business entity information report or pay the annual report required fee within 90 days of the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying the same or, in the case of an annual a report filing and fee received by mail, postmarked within 90 days of the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying the same. Whenever the statement of qualification of a limited liability partnership is forfeited for failure to file an annual a business entity information report or to pay the required annual report fee, the limited liability partnership may be reinstated by filing a certificate of reinstatement, in the manner and form to be prescribed by the secretary of state and paying to the secretary of state all fees, including any penalties thereon, due to the state, and all past due business entity information reports for the immediately preceding 10 years, and payment to the secretary an amount equal to all fees and any penalties due. The fee for filing a certificate of reinstatement shall be the same as that prescribed by K.S.A. 17-7506, and amendments thereto, for filing a certificate of reinstatement of a corporation's articles of incorporation.

Sec. 41. 46. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 56a-1202 is hereby amended to read as follows: 56a-1202. (a) Every foreign limited liability partnership shall make-an annual a written business entity information report—in—writing to the secretary of state, stating the prescribed information concerning the foreign limited liability partnership at the close of business on the last day of its tax period next preceding the date of filing. If the foreign limited liability partnership's tax period is

other than the calendar year, it shall give notice in writing of its different tax period to the secretary of state prior to December 31 of the year it commences the different tax period.

- (b) The annual report shall be filed biennially, as determined by the year that the foreign limited liability partnership filed its foreign limited liability partnership application. A foreign limited liability partnership that filed its application in an even-numbered year shall file a report in each even-numbered year. A foreign limited liability partnership that filed its application in an odd-numbered year shall file a report in each odd-numbered year. The report shall be filed after the close of the foreign limited liability partnership's tax period but not later than at the time prescribed by law for filing the foreign limited liability partnership's annual Kansas income tax return.
- $\frac{\text{(b)}(c)}{\text{(b)}(c)}$  The annual report shall be made on a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The report and shall contain the name of the foreign limited liability partnership.
- (e)(d) The-annual report shall be signed by a partner of the foreign limited liability partnership under penalty of perjury and forwarded to the secretary of state.
- (e) At the time of filing-the its business entity information report, the foreign limited liability partnership shall pay to the secretary of state-an annual report a fee in an amount equal to-\$40 \$80, plus the amount specified in rules and regulations of the secretary multiplied by the number of tax periods included in the report.
- (d)(f) The provisions of K.S.A. 17-7509, and amendments thereto. relating to penalties for failure of a corporation to file an annual a business entity information report or pay the required annual report fee, and the provisions of K.S.A. 17-7510(a), and amendments thereto, relating to penalties for failure of a corporation to file an annual a business entity information report or pay the required annual report fee, shall be applicable to the statement of foreign qualification of any foreign limited liability partnership—which that fails to file its-annual business entity information report or pay the annual report required fee within 90 days of the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying the same or, in the case of an annual a report filing and fee received by mail, postmarked within 90 days of the time prescribed in this section for filing and paying the same. Whenever the statement of foreign qualification of a foreign limited liability partnership is forfeited for failure to file an annual a business entity information report or to pay the required-annual report fee, the statement of foreign qualification of the foreign limited liability partnership may be reinstated by filing a certificate of reinstatement, in the manner and form to be prescribed by the secretary of state and paying to the secretary of state all fees, including any penalties thereon, due to the

state, and all past due business entity information reports for the immediately preceding 10 years, and payment to the secretary of state an amount equal to all fees and any penalties due. The fee for filing a certificate of reinstatement shall be the same as that prescribed by K.S.A. 17-7506, and amendments thereto, for filing a certificate of reinstatement of a corporation's articles of incorporation.

- Sec. 47. K.S.A. 64-103 is hereby amended to read as follows: 64-103. (a) All acts of the legislature which that shall provide for their taking effect on publication in any newspaper or in the Kansas register shall be published in the Kansas register, which shall be deemed the official publication. Publication of the Kansas register may be in print or electronic form. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all proclamations, orders, notices and advertisements authorized by any state officer shall be printed and published in the Kansas register. Payment for such publication shall be made by the state at the rates prescribed by law. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to: (1) Resolutions making propositions to amend the constitution; or (2) proclamations issued by the governor which that are not required by law to be issued by the governor. All proclamations issued by the governor which that are not published in the Kansas register shall be published on the official Kansas internet website.
- (b) (1) For the purpose of informing the electors of the propositions to be voted on at the election thereon, the secretary of state shall cause resolutions making propositions to amend the constitution to be published in one newspaper in each county of the state where a newspaper is published, one newspaper in each county of the state where a newspaper is published, or, if no newspaper is published in a county, then in a Kansas-published newspaper of general circulation in each county once each week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding the election at which the proposition is to be submitted.
- (2) After such publication, the secretary of state shall certify the amount of moneys expended on such publication and shall transmit a copy of such certification to the director of accounts and reports. Upon receipt of such certification, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer an amount of moneys equal to such certified amounts from the state general fund to the information services fee fund of the secretary of state and shall transmit a notification of such transfer to the director of legislative research and the director of the budget.
- Sec. 48. K.S.A. 75-430 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-430. (a) The secretary of state shall compile, index and publish a publication to be known as the Kansas register. Such register shall contain:
  - (1) All acts of the legislature required to be published in the Kansas

register;

- (2) all executive orders and directives of the governor which that are required to be filed in the office of the secretary of state;
- (3) summaries of all opinions of the attorney general interpreting acts of the legislature as prepared by the office of the attorney general;
- (4) notice of any public comment period on contemplated modification of an existing rule and regulation, and, in accordance with the provisions of article 4 of chapter 77 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, all notices of hearings on proposed administrative rules and regulations and the full text of all administrative rules and regulations that have been adopted and filed with the secretary of state;
- (5) the full text of all administrative rules and regulations which that have been adopted and filed in accordance with the provisions of article 4 of chapter 77 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, except that the secretary of state may publish a summary of any rule and regulation together with the address of the state agency from which a copy of the full text of the proposed rules and regulations may be received, if such rule and regulation is lengthy and expensive to publish and otherwise available in published form and a summary will, in the opinion of the secretary, properly notify the public of the contents of such rule and regulation;
- (6) a cumulative index of all administrative rules and regulations which that have been adopted and filed in accordance with the provisions of article 4 of chapter 77 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto:
- (7) all notices of hearings of special legislative interim study committees, descriptions of all prefiled bills and resolutions and descriptions of all bills and resolutions introduced in the legislature during any session of the legislature, and other legislative information which is approved for publication by the legislative coordinating council;
- (8) the hearings docket of the Kansas supreme court and the court of appeals;
- (9) summaries of all orders of the state board of tax appeals which that have statewide application;
- $\frac{(10)}{(9)}$  all advertisements for contracts for construction, repairs, improvements or purchases by the state of Kansas or any agency thereof for which competitive bids are required; and
- (11)(10) any other information which that the secretary of state deems to be of sufficient interest to the general public to merit its publication or which is required by law to be published in the Kansas register.

- (b) The secretary of state shall publish such register at regular intervals, but not less than weekly.
- (c) Each issue-publication of the register shall contain a table of contents.
- (d) A cumulative index to all information required by K.S.A. 75-430 through 75-434, and amendments thereto, to be published during the previous year shall be published at least once each year.
- (e) The secretary of state may omit from the register any information the publication of which the secretary deems cumbersome, expensive, or otherwise inexpedient, if the information is made available in printed or processed form by the adopting agency on application for it, and if the register contains a notice stating the general subject matter of the information and the manner in which a copy of it may be obtained.
- (f) One copy of each issue of A subscription to the register shall be made available without charge on request to each officer, board, commission, and department of the state having statewide jurisdiction, to each member of the legislature, to each county clerk in the state, and to the supreme court, court of appeals and each district court.
- (g) The secretary of state shall make paper copies of a subscription to the register available upon payment of a fee to be fixed by the secretary of state under K.S.A. 75-433, and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 49. K.S.A. 75-433 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-433. (a) The secretary of state may fix, charge and collect publication fees from state agencies for the publication of documents and information required or authorized by law to be published in the Kansas register.
- (b) The secretary of state shall-may sell annual subscriptions to the Kansas register and shall-may fix, charge and collect subscription fees from subscribers.
- (c) On and after July 1, 1984, Fees established under this section shall be fixed in amounts adequate to recover the costs of printing, binding, postage and handling attributable to the preparation and distribution of producing and distributing the Kansas register.
- (d) The secretary of state shall remit all moneys received by the secretary under this act to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state register fee fund. All expenditures from such fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary or a person or persons designated by the secretary.

 Sec. 50. K.S.A. 75-436 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-436. (a) The secretary of state shall fix, charge and collect fees to recover the costs of delivery, including postage and handling, which are incurred in connection with the sale of volumes of the session laws, volumes and sets of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, including the cumulative supplements thereto, volumes of the permanent journals of the senate and house of representatives and volumes and sets of the Kansas administrative regulations, including the annual supplements thereto. All such fees shall be fixed by rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of state.

- (b) The secretary of state shall remit all moneys received from fees and charges under this section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the information and services fee fund of the secretary of state.
- Sec. <u>42.</u> 51. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 75-446 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-446. The secretary of state shall remit all moneys received from annual business entity information report fees, to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund.
- Sec. 52. K.S.A. 75-1005 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-1005. (a) Except as provided by subsection (b), the division of printing shall do all of the public printing and binding required by the legislature, the supreme court, the governor or any state agency. Any state institution where a printing plant is already established may be permitted to do printing for the institution when approved by the director of printing. When the director of printing is of the opinion that a particular printing job should be obtained in the commercial market, such director, unless otherwise instructed by the secretary of administration, may authorize any state agency to so obtain such printing in accordance with laws relating to purchasing. The provisions of this section shall not apply to contracts entered into under K.S.A. 76-392 or as otherwise provided by law.
- (b) The secretary of state may obtain printing or binding services as provided by section 1, and amendments thereto, in the commercial market in accordance with laws related to purchasing and procurement by state agencies. The secretary of state shall not be required to obtain the authorization of the director of printing or of the secretary of administration otherwise required for state agencies under subsection (a) to obtain such printing or binding services.

- Sec. <u>43</u>. 53. K.S.A. 75-3520 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-3520. (a) (1) Unless required by federal law, no document available for public inspection or copying shall contain an individual's social security number if such document contains such individual's personal information. "Personal information" shall include, but not be limited to, name, address, phone number or e-mail address.
  - (2) (A) The provisions of paragraphs (1) and (3) of this subsection shall not apply to documents recorded in the official records of any recorder of deeds of the county or to any documents filed in the official records of the court and shall be included, but not limited to, such documents of any records that when filed constitutes:
    - (A)(i) A consensual or nonconsensual lien;
- (B)(ii) an eviction record;
  - (C)(iii) a judgment;
- (D)(iv) a conviction or arrest;
  - (E)(v) a bankruptcy;
  - (F)(vi) a secretary of state filing; or
    - (G)(vii) a professional license.
  - (B) The provisions of paragraphs (1) and (3) shall not apply to documents recorded pursuant to article 9 of chapter 84 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, if the social security number is improperly placed on a form, in a description or included in an attachment.
  - (3) Any document or record that contains all or any portion of an individual's social security number shall have all portions of all social security numbers redacted before the document or record is made available for public inspection or copying.
  - (4) (A) An agency shall give notice as defined in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 50-7a01, and amendments thereto, to any individual whose personal information was disclosed in violation of this subsection when it becomes aware of the unauthorized disclosure. Notice shall be made in the most expedient time possible and without unreasonable delay, consistent with the legitimate needs of law enforcement and any measures necessary to determine the scope of unauthorized disclosures.
  - (B) The agency shall offer to such individuals credit monitoring services at no cost for a period of one year. The agency shall provide all information necessary for such individual to enroll in such services and shall include information on how such individual can place a security freeze on such individual's consumer report.
  - (b) (1) No person, including an individual, firm, corporation, association, partnership, joint venture or other business entity, or any employee or agent therefor, shall solicit, require or use for commercial purposes an individual's social security number unless such number is

necessary for such person's normal course of business and there is a specific use for such number for which no other identifying number may be used.

- (2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to documents or records that are recorded or required to be open to the public pursuant to state or federal law, or by court rule or order, and this paragraph does not limit access to these documents or records.
- (3) Paragraph (1)-of this subsection does not apply to the collection, use or release of social security numbers for the following purposes:
- (A) Mailing of documents that include social security numbers sent as part of an application or enrollment process or to establish, amend or terminate an account, contract or policy or to confirm the accuracy of the social security number;
  - (B) internal verification or administrative purposes;
- (C) investigate or prevent fraud, conduct background checks, conduct social or scientific research, collect a debt, obtain a credit report from or furnish data to a consumer reporting agency pursuant to the fair credit reporting act, 15 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq., undertake a permissible purpose enumerated under the Gramm-Leach Bliley Act, 15 U.S.C. § 6802 (e), or locate an individual who is missing, a lost relative, or due a benefit, such as pension, insurance or unclaimed property benefit; or
  - (D) otherwise required by state or federal law or regulation.
- (c) An individual who is aggrieved by a violation of this section may recover a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000 for each violation.
- Sec. 54. K.S.A. 77-138 is hereby amended to read as follows: 77-138. (a) Volumes of the Kansas Statutes Annotated shall be printed and bound by the director of printing and delivered to the secretary of state who shall dispose of them as follows:

First, the secretary of state shall deposit in the supreme court law library and in the state library such number of copies as the state law librarian and the state librarian, respectively, shall request for use in the law library and the state library, for the purposes of the publication collection and depository system established under K.S.A. 75-2566, and amendments thereto, and for the purpose of making exchanges with the various states and territories, and the secretary of state shall retain one set for the secretary's use in the secretary's office.

- Second, (1) the secretary of state shall distribute—two one complete sets set of the Kansas Statutes Annotated to each new member of the legislature at each regular session, one set of which shall have the respective member's name and if requested by the new member, the new member's name shall be printed thereon.
- (2) The secretary of state shall distribute such number of complete sets and individual volumes of the Kansas Statutes Annotated: (A) To the

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(3) The secretary of state shall distribute: (A) Two sets to each representative in congress and United States senator from the state of Kansas, upon request by such representative or senator; (B) one set each to the governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general; (C) to Washburn university school of law, the number of sets, not to exceed 60 sets, that the librarian of the school of law certifies to the secretary of state as necessary for the purpose of exchanging with other states and territories and to be kept in the library for the use of faculty and students of the university; (D) to the school of law of the university of Kansas, the number of sets, not to exceed 60 sets, that the librarian of the school of law certifies to the secretary of state as necessary for the purpose of exchanging with other states and territories and to be kept in the library for the use of faculty and students of the university; (E) to the clerk of the district court of the United States for the state of Kansas, the number of sets, not to exceed five sets, as are requested by such clerk; (F) one set to each county law library in the state, upon request by the librarian thereof; (G) to each county clerk, the number of sets requested by the county clerk, not to exceed seven sets, to be distributed not more than one set each to the county or district attorney, the county clerk, the county counselor, if any, the register of deeds, the sheriff, the county treasurer, and the board of county commissioners, which set shall be retained by the county clerk for use by such board; (H) not more than one set to each city of the third class, one set to each city of the second class and two sets to each city of the first class, upon request by the city clerk; and (I) one set to the state historical society library.

Third, the balance of statute books, after the above distribution shall be kept by the secretary of state for sale.

(b) The secretary of state shall sell each volume of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, including replacement volumes, at the per volume price fixed therefor by the legislative coordinating council under this section. General index volumes, when sold separately and not as a part of a set of cumulative supplements, shall be sold at the per volume price fixed therefor by the legislative coordinating council. The secretary of state shall remit all moneys received from such sales under this section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance,

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the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund.

- (c) The legislative coordinating council shall fix the per volume price of each volume of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, including replacement volumes, sold under this section to recover the costs of printing and binding such volumes. The legislative coordinating council shall revise such prices from time to time for the purposes of covering and recovering such costs.
- Sec. 55. K.S.A. 77-417 is hereby amended to read as follows: 77-417. (a) The secretary of state shall:
- (1) Endorse on each rule and regulation filed, the time and date of the filing thereof;
- (2) maintain a file of such rules and regulations for public inspection;
- (3) keep a complete record of all amendments and revocations of rules and regulations;
  - (4) index the rules and regulations so filed; and
  - (5) publish the rules and regulations as hereinafter provided.
- (b) The secretary of state shall have the discretion to return to the appropriate state agency or to otherwise dispose of any document or other material which that had been adopted previously by reference and filed with the secretary of state.
- Sec. 56. K.S.A. 77-430 is hereby amended to read as follows: 77-430. (a) The secretary of state shall publish the Kansas administrative regulations in an electronic or paper medium. The secretary of state shall make the Kansas administrative regulations available by request to the following:
  - The supreme court law library and the state library.;
- (2) the law schools and law libraries of the university of Kansas and Washburn university.;
- (3) each member of the legislature at the time of taking office, after election or appointment, for the member's first term of office as a member of either house of the legislature which that commences on or after the second Monday of January in 1991, except that a term of office as a member of either house of the legislature, whether a complete or partial term of office, shall not be construed for purposes of this distribution to be the member's first term of office if such term of office is part of a continuous period of service as a member of either house of the legislature or both houses of the legislature, in any combination of consecutive terms of office;
- (4) each member of the joint committee on administrative rules and 41 42 regulations; 43
  - (5) the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general and state

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- (6) the judicial branch of state government;
- (7) each county law library;
- (8) the city library in each city of the first and second class;
- (9) each county library;
- (10) the office of revisor of statutes;
  - (11) the legislative research department;
- 8 (12) the division of post audit; and
  - (13) the division of legislative administrative services.
  - (b) The Kansas administrative regulations may be purchased in complete sets or in single volumes. Single volumes of the Kansas administrative regulations shall be sold by the secretary of state at the per volume price fixed by the secretary of state under this section. Complete sets of the Kansas administrative regulations shall be sold by the secretary of state at the per set price fixed therefor by the secretary of state under this section.
  - (c) All moneys received from such sales shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the information and services fee fund of the secretary of state.
  - (d) The secretary of state shall fix by rules and regulations the per volume and complete set prices of the Kansas administrative regulations sold under this section to recover the costs of publishing and storing such volumes, whether in printed or electronic form. The secretary of state shall revise such prices from time to time for the purposes of covering and recovering such costs.
  - Sec. 57. K.S.A. 77-430a is hereby amended to read as follows: 77-430a. (a) The secretary of state shall edit and prepare for publication volumes of rules and regulations which that replace existing volumes of the Kansas administrative regulations within the limitations of available appropriations therefor. Replacement volumes shall be published in the same format and in accordance with the same specifications used in the volume replaced and shall be authenticated as required by K.S.A. 77-429, and amendments thereto. Replacement volumes of the Kansas administrative regulations shall be published by the secretary of state who shall distribute and sell such replacement volumes in the same manner as provided in K.S.A. 77-430, and amendments thereto, for the distribution and sale of other volumes of the Kansas administrative regulations, except that each member of the senate or house of representatives shall receive, upon request, one copy of each replacement volume for the purpose of updating the set of the Kansas administrative regulations received at the time of taking office for the

member's first term of office as a member of either house of the legislature as provided in K.S.A. 77-430, and amendments thereto.

- (b) Moneys received from the sale of replacement volumes under this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the information and services fee fund of the secretary of state.
- (c) The secretary of state shall fix by rules and regulations—the per volume price, or the complete set price if more than one replacement volume is published, of any replacement volume of the Kansas administrative regulations sold under this section to recover the costs of publishing and storing such volumes, whether in printed or electronic form. The secretary of state shall revise such prices from time to time for the purposes of covering and recovering such costs.
- Sec. 58. K.S.A. 77-431 is hereby amended to read as follows: 77-431. (a) The secretary of state shall publish and make available the annual supplements to the Kansas administrative regulations. The secretary of state shall transmit the same number of copies of each annual supplement in the same manner as provided in subsection (a) of K.S.A. 77-430(a), and amendments thereto, for distribution of Kansas administrative regulations, except that each member of the senate or house of representatives shall receive, upon request, one copy of each annual supplement for the purpose of updating the set of the Kansas administrative regulations received at the time of taking office for the member's first term of office as a member of either house of the legislature as provided in K.S.A. 77-430, and amendments thereto.

The secretary of state may publish the supplements to the Kansas administrative regulations in an electronic or paper medium.

- (b) Moneys received from the sale of supplements under this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the information and services fee fund of the secretary of state.
- (c) The secretary of state shall fix by rules and regulations—the per volume price, or the complete set price if more than one volume is published, for each annual supplement to the Kansas administrative regulations sold under this section to recover the costs of publishing and storing such volumes, whether published in an electronic or paper medium. The secretary of state shall revise such prices from time to time for the purposes of covering and recovering such costs.
  - Sec. 59. K.S.A. 77-438 is hereby amended to read as follows: 77-

- 1 438. (a) (1) A state agency may issue a guidance document without following the procedures set forth in this act for the adoption of rules and regulations.
  - (2) For the purposes of this section, "guidance document" means a record of general applicability that:
    - (A) Is designated by a state agency as a guidance document;
    - (B) lacks the force of law; and
    - (C) states:

- (i) The agency's current approach to, or interpretation of, law; or
- (ii) general statements of policy that describe how and when the agency will exercise discretionary functions.
- (b) A guidance document may contain binding instructions to state agency staff members except officers who preside in adjudicatory proceedings.
- (c) If a state agency proposes to act in an adjudication at variance with a position expressed in a guidance document, the state agency shall provide a reasonable explanation for the variance. If an affected person in an adjudication claims to have reasonably relied on the agency's position, the state agency's explanation for the variance shall include a reasonable justification for the agency's conclusion that the need for the variance outweighs the affected person's reliance interests.
  - (d) Each state agency shall:
- (1) Maintain an index of all of its currently effective guidance documents;
  - (2) publish the index on its website; and
  - (3) make all guidance documents available to the public; and
  - (4) file the index in the manner prescribed by the secretary of state.
- (e) A guidance document may be considered by a presiding officer or agency head in an agency adjudication, but such guidance document shall not bind any party, the presiding officer or the agency head.
- (f) Any agency that issues a guidance document shall provide a copy of such document to the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations. Such document may be submitted electronically.
- Sec.<u>44</u>: 60. K.S.A. 17-2711, 45-106, 45-315, 56-1a151<u>and</u>, 56a-101, 64-103, 75-430, 75-433, 75-436, 75-1005, 77-138, 77-417, 77-430, 77-430a, 77-431 and 77-438 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-6014, 17-78-601, 17-7910, 45-107, 45-229, 56a-1001, 57-205, 57-206, 57-207, 75-447 and 75-3520 are hereby repealed.
- 39 Sec.<u>45.</u> 61. On and after January 1, 2023, K.S.A. 17-1513, 17-1618, 17-2037, 17-4677, 17-5902, 17-7509, 17-7511, 53-601, 56-1a605 and 75-41 446 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 17-2036, 17-2718, 17-4634, 17-6014, as
- 42 amended by section 10 of this act, 17-7002, 17-7503, 17-7504, 17-7505,
- 43 17-7506, 17-7507, 17-7510, 17-7512, 17-76,136, 17-76,139, *17-76,146*,

- 1 17-76,147, 17-7903, 17-7904, 17-7905, 17-7906, 17-7910 as amended by
- 2 section <u>29</u> 31 of this act, 17-7936, 56-1a606, 56-1a607, 56a-1201 and 56a-
- 3 1202 are hereby repealed.
- 4 Sec. 46. 62. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after
- 5 its publication in the statute book.