

SENATE BILL No. 97

By Committee on Elections and Local Government

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AN ACT concerning campaign finance; relating to appointment of a candidate treasurer; amending K.S.A. 25-4144 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 25-4144 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-4144. Not later than 10 days after becoming a candidate, every candidate ~~shall~~ *may* appoint a treasurer or in lieu thereof shall appoint a candidate committee. *If a candidate fails to appoint a treasurer or a candidate committee, the candidate shall perform all duties required by this act to be performed by a treasurer or candidate committee until such candidate appoints a treasurer or candidate committee.* The treasurer so appointed may be the candidate making such appointment. No candidate shall appoint more than one candidate committee to exist at the same time. If a candidate appoints a candidate committee, such candidate shall appoint a chairperson and a treasurer thereof, and the treasurer so appointed may be the candidate. No person who is registered as a lobbyist in accordance with K.S.A. 46-265 and amendments thereto shall be eligible for appointment as treasurer for any candidate or candidate committee. The name and address of each treasurer and chairperson appointed under this section by a candidate for a state office shall be reported to the secretary of state by the candidate not later than 10 days after such appointment. The name and address of each treasurer and chairperson appointed under this section by a candidate for a local office shall be reported to the county election officer by the candidate not later than 10 days after such appointment. The candidate for governor shall carry out the requirements and responsibilities of the candidate under the campaign finance act, for the pair of candidates for governor and lieutenant governor, unless another specific provision applies.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-4144 is hereby repealed.

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