

SENATE BILL No. 396

By Committee on Local Government, Transparency and Ethics

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1 AN ACT concerning cemeteries; authorizing the reorganization of the
2 Clearwater cemetery district; removing Ohio township from the district.
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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. (a) The board of trustees of the Clearwater cemetery
6 district located in Sedgwick county is authorized to reorganize such
7 cemetery district by adoption of a resolution of reorganization to remove
8 Ohio township from the district. Such resolution shall be adopted by a
9 majority vote of the trustees.

10 (b) The reorganized cemetery district shall have three members as
11 follows: The member from the city of Clearwater shall be the mayor, the
12 member from Ninnescah township shall be the township trustee and one
13 member shall be elected at-large. The resolution shall provide for the
14 election of an at-large member of the board of trustees. The at-large
15 member may reside in either the city of Clearwater or Ninnescah township
16 and shall represent the entire district. The at-large member shall stand for
17 election by voters of the district beginning at the 2026 general election and
18 every four years thereafter. Ohio township and the reorganized Clearwater
19 cemetery district may enter into an interlocal cooperation agreement
20 regarding the future care of cemeteries and the sharing of existing tax
21 funds.

22 (c) A copy of the reorganization resolution shall be mailed to the
23 Sedgwick county clerk. The reorganization of the cemetery district shall be
24 deemed effective on January 1, 2026.

25 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
26 publication in the Kansas register.