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HOUSE BILL No. 2604

By Committee on Elections

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AN ACT concerning elections; amending K.S.A. 25-3205 and 25-3206 2 and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 25-3205 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-5 6 3205. (a) The state board of canvassers shall be the board of canvassers for the final canvass of the primary election of national and state officers. 7 Provisions of law relating to the canvass of the national and state general 8 9 elections shall, as far as applicable, apply to the canvass and certification 10 of the secretary of state of-such the primary elections. The state board of 11 canvassers shall meet at the office of the secretary of state on the call of 12 the secretary of state as soon as convenient after the tabulation of the 13 returns is made. The meeting shall be called not later than September 1 next following-such the election, except when-such the date falls on 14 Sunday, then not later than the next following day which is not a legal 15 16 holiday, and may recess from time to time until the final canvass is 17 completed.

18 As soon as-such the final canvass of the primary election shall be 19 completed, the secretary of state shall publish in the Kansas register a 20 certified statement of the candidates for the presidential electors, United 21 States senator, representatives in congress and all state officers or so many 22 of-such the officers as may have been voted for at-such the election. On the 23 fourth day after the completion of such final canvass or as soon as 24 practicable thereafter, the secretary of state shall mail to each candidate 25 found by the state board of canvassers to be duly nominated a certificate of 26 nomination, showing the name of the candidate, the party by whom 27 nominated and the office for which the candidate is nominated as specified 28 in the nomination papers and determined by the state board of canvassers.

29 *(b)* The secretary of state shall publish on the official secretary of state website results by precinct for all federal offices, statewide offices 30 and for state legislative offices-as soon as practicable not later than 30 31 days after the final canvass of the primary election is complete. 32

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-3206 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-33 34 3206. (a) The state board of canvassers shall make the final canvass of 35 national and state primary and general elections. Such The board shall also 36 make the final canvass of elections upon constitutional amendments and

all questions submitted to election on a statewide basis, including 1 2 questions on retention in office of justices of the supreme court, judges of 3 the court of appeals and judges of the district court.

4 (b) For the purpose of canvassing elections specified in subsection 5 (a), the state board of canvassers shall meet on the call of the secretary of 6 state, in the secretary's office, as soon as convenient after the tabulation of 7 the returns is made. In the case of general elections, the meeting shall be 8 called not later than December 1 next following-such the election, except 9 when-such the date falls on Sunday, then not later than the following day, 10 and may recess from time to time until the canvass is completed.

(c) The state board of canvassers shall, upon the abstracts on file in 11 12 the office of secretary of state, proceed to make final canvass of any 13 election for officers specified in subsection (a). The state board of canvassers shall certify a statement which shall show the names of the 14 15 persons receiving votes for any of-such the offices, and the whole number 16 received by each, distinguishing the districts and counties in which they 17 were voted

18 (d) The state board of canvassers shall, upon the abstracts on file in the office of the secretary of state, proceed to make final canvass and 19 20 determination of the result of statewide question submitted elections. The 21 state board of canvassers shall certify a statement of the number of votes 22 on each question and the result thereof.

23 (e) The state board of canvassers shall certify such statements to be 24 correct, and the members shall subscribe their names thereto, and the 25 board shall determine what persons have been elected to such offices and 26 the members shall endorse and subscribe on the statement a certificate of 27 such the determination and deliver them to the secretary of state.

28 (f) The secretary of state shall publish on the official secretary of 29 state website election results by precinct for all **federal offices**, statewide 30 offices and for legislative offices-as soon as practicable not later than 30 31 days after the final canvass of the general election results.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 25-3205 and 25-3206 are hereby repealed.

33 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 34 publication in the statute book.

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