

## 2012 Kansas Statutes

**20-2911. Same; appointment of successor by governor; time limitations; failure of governor to appoint, appointment by chief justice; effective date of appointment.** (a) Whenever a district judicial nominating commission has submitted to the governor the required number of nominations for appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of judge of the district court, it shall be the duty of the governor to make such appointment within thirty (30) days after such nominations are submitted or resubmitted to him or her. If the governor fails to make the appointment within said thirty (30) days, the chief justice of the supreme court shall make the appointment from among such nominees; but whenever any change in the nominations is made pursuant to K.S.A. 20-2910, said thirty-day period commences on the day the nominations are resubmitted.

(b) Whenever a vacancy in the office of judge of the district court exists at the time the appointment to fill such vacancy is made pursuant to this section, the appointment shall be effective at the time it is made, but where an appointment is made pursuant to this section to fill a vacancy which will occur at a future date, such appointment shall not take effect until said date.

**History:** L. 1974, ch. 137, § 11; L. 1976, ch. 145, § 104; Jan. 10, 1977.