

SENATE BILL No. 197

By Committee on Judiciary

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1 AN ACT concerning attorneys; relating to the supreme court nominating
2 commission and judicial district nominating commissions; selection of
3 chairperson and members; applicability of open meetings act; attorney
4 licensure and information; applicability of open records act; amending
5 K.S.A. 20-122, 20-123, 20-128, 20-130, 20-132, 20-2904 and 20-2907
6 and K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 7-127 and repealing the existing sections.
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8 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

9 Section 1. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 7-127 is hereby amended to read as
10 follows: 7-127. (a) *Each applicant for admission to practice law in this*
11 *state, in submitting the application, shall provide to the clerk of the*
12 *supreme court the information enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-*
13 *2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto. Whenever any person*
14 *whose application for admission to practice law in this state is pending*
15 *shall move from the residential address listed on such person's*
16 *application, or when the name of any such person is changed by marriage*
17 *or otherwise, such person, within 10 days thereafter, shall notify the clerk*
18 *of the supreme court in writing of such person's old and new residential*
19 *address or of such person's former and new name.*

20 (b) *Any person whose application to practice law in Kansas is*
21 *pending as of the effective date of this act, and for whom the information*
22 *enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and*
23 *amendments thereto, is not correct on such application as of the effective*
24 *date of this act, shall provide the information enumerated in K.S.A. 2014*
25 *Supp. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, in writing to*
26 *the clerk of the supreme court within 60 days after the effective date of this*
27 *act. The clerk of the supreme court, within 30 days after the effective date*
28 *of this act, shall send notice to all persons whose applications to practice*
29 *law in Kansas are pending as of the effective date of this act, that such*
30 *persons are required by law to provide the information enumerated in*
31 *K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, in*
32 *writing to the clerk of the supreme court within 60 days after the effective*
33 *date of this act.*

34 (c) The supreme court may require an applicant for admission to
35 practice law in this state to be fingerprinted and submit to a national
36 criminal history record check. The fingerprints shall be used to identify the

1 applicant and to determine whether the applicant has a record of criminal
2 arrests and convictions in this state or other jurisdictions. The supreme
3 court and the state board of law examiners are authorized to submit the
4 fingerprints to the Kansas bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of
5 investigation for a state and national criminal history record check. The
6 state board of law examiners and the supreme court may use the
7 information obtained from fingerprinting and the applicant's criminal
8 history only for purposes of verifying the identification of any applicant
9 and in the official determination of character and fitness of the applicant
10 for admission to practice law in this state.

11 ~~(b)~~ (d) Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall
12 assist the supreme court in taking and processing of fingerprints of
13 applicants seeking admission to practice law in this state and shall release
14 all records of an applicant's arrests and convictions to the supreme court
15 and the state board of law examiners.

16 New Sec. 2. (a) The clerk of the supreme court shall maintain in the
17 clerk's office a roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas. Such
18 roster shall include the information enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-
19 2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, the congressional district
20 of residence and the judicial district of residence for each person licensed
21 to practice law in Kansas. Whenever any person licensed to practice law
22 in Kansas moves from the residential address listed for such person on
23 such roster, or when the name of any such person is changed by marriage
24 or otherwise, such person, within 10 days thereafter, shall notify the clerk
25 of the supreme court in writing of such person's old and new residential
26 address or of such person's former and new name.

27 (b) Each person on the roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in
28 Kansas on the effective date of this act, and for whom the information
29 enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and
30 amendments thereto, is not correct on such roster on the effective date of
31 this act, shall provide the information enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp.
32 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, in writing to the clerk
33 of the supreme court within 60 days after the effective date of this act. The
34 clerk of the supreme court, within 30 days after the effective date of this
35 act, shall send notice to all persons listed on the roster of attorneys
36 licensed to practice law in Kansas on the effective date of this act, that
37 such persons are required by law to provide the information enumerated in
38 K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, in
39 writing to the clerk of the supreme court within 60 days of the effective
40 date of this act.

41 (c) Only attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas and residing in
42 Kansas on or before the 15th day of February preceding the selection of the
43 chairperson of the supreme court nominating commission as provided in

1 K.S.A. 20-119, and amendments thereto, and only attorneys so licensed
2 and residing in the congressional district on or before the 15th day of
3 February preceding the selection of the members of the supreme court
4 nominating commission to be chosen from among the members of the bar
5 of such congressional district as provided in K.S.A. 20-120, and
6 amendments thereto, and, in either event, only attorneys for whom the
7 roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas contains the
8 information enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5),
9 and amendments thereto, shall be entitled to make nominations or receive
10 and cast ballots in such selections.

11 (d) (1) On or before the 20th day of February preceding the selection
12 of a chairperson of the supreme court nominating commission, the clerk of
13 the supreme court shall transmit a certified copy of the roster of attorneys
14 licensed to practice law in Kansas to the secretary of state. Such certified
15 copy shall include the information enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-
16 2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, for each person listed on
17 the roster and having a residential address within Kansas as of the
18 preceding 15th day of February.

19 (2) On or before the 20th day of February preceding the selection of a
20 member of the supreme court nominating commission to be chosen from
21 among the members of the bar of a congressional district, the clerk of the
22 supreme court shall transmit a certified copy of the roster of attorneys
23 licensed to practice law in Kansas to the secretary of state. Such certified
24 copy shall include the information enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-
25 2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, for each person listed on
26 the roster and having a residential address within the congressional district
27 as of the preceding 15th day of February.

28 (3) The certified copy of the roster shall be transmitted in a format
29 prescribed by the secretary of state. Upon receipt of such certified roster,
30 the secretary of state shall append thereto the unique voter identification
31 number for each person listed on the roster having such a number, as
32 contained in the centralized voter registration database described in K.S.A.
33 2014 Supp. 25-2304, and amendments thereto.

34 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the names, residential
35 addresses, dates of birth, unique voter identification numbers and dates of
36 licensure to practice law in Kansas of all persons listed on the certified
37 roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas created pursuant to
38 subsection (d), including the information as appended to the roster
39 pursuant to subsection (d), shall be disclosed upon proper request
40 submitted to the clerk of the supreme court or to the secretary of state
41 pursuant to the open records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments
42 thereto.

43 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 20-122 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-122.

1 (a) The clerk of the supreme court ~~may~~ shall use the certified roster of
2 attorneys ~~in the clerk's office~~ licensed to practice law in Kansas, as
3 provided to the secretary of state pursuant to section 2, and amendments
4 thereto, for ascertaining the names and places of residence of those entitled
5 to receive ballots and for ascertaining the qualifications of those
6 nominated for membership on the commission. The clerk shall supply with
7 each ballot distributed a certificate to be signed and returned by the
8 member of the bar voting such ballot, evidencing the qualifications of such
9 member of the bar to vote, including the name and residential address of
10 such member of the bar, and certifying that the ballot was voted by the
11 certifying voter.

12 (b) ~~To the end~~ In order to insure that the vote cast may be secret, the
13 clerk shall provide a separate envelope ~~shall be provided~~ for the ballot, in
14 which the voted ballot only shall be placed, and the envelope containing
15 the voted ballot shall be ~~returned in an~~ placed in another envelope, also to
16 be supplied by the clerk, together with the signed certificate. ~~No~~ A ballot
17 not accompanied by the signed certificate of the voter shall not be counted.
18 When the voted ballots are received by the clerk they shall be separated
19 from the certificates by the canvassers, and after the ballots are counted
20 and the results certified ~~both~~, the ballots ~~and the certificates~~ shall be
21 preserved by the clerk for a period of six months and ~~the certificates shall~~
22 ~~be preserved by the clerk for a period of five years.~~ No one shall be
23 permitted to inspect ~~them~~ the ballots received pursuant to this section
24 except on order of the supreme court. Unless otherwise ordered by the
25 supreme court, at the end of such ~~six months~~ six-month period the clerk,
26 ~~unless otherwise ordered by the supreme court,~~ shall destroy ~~them~~ the
27 ballots received pursuant to this section, and at the end of such five-year
28 period the clerk shall destroy the certificates received pursuant to this
29 section.

30 (c) Within 14 days after the results of a selection are certified
31 pursuant to this section, the clerk of the supreme court shall: (1) Create a
32 list designating the position and year for which the selection was held and
33 containing the names and residential addresses of all persons who
34 returned a ballot with a signed certificate as described in subsection (b);
35 and (2) transmit a certified copy of the list to the secretary of state. The
36 list described in this subsection shall be transmitted in a format prescribed
37 by the secretary of state. Upon receipt of the list described in this
38 subsection, the secretary of state shall append the information contained
39 therein to the roster for such selection as described in section 2, and
40 amendments thereto.

41 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the certificates
42 received for a selection pursuant to this section shall be disclosed upon
43 proper request submitted to the clerk of the supreme court pursuant to the

1 *open records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto.*

2 (e) *Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the lists described in*
3 *subsection (c) shall be disclosed upon proper request submitted to the*
4 *clerk of the supreme court or to the secretary of state pursuant to the open*
5 *records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto.*

6 (f) *The provisions of this section shall apply to all selections held*
7 *under K.S.A. 20-119 and 20-120, and amendments thereto, which have not*
8 *been canvassed pursuant to K.S.A. 20-130, and amendments thereto,*
9 *regardless of whether such selections are scheduled, upcoming or pending*
10 *as on the effective date of this act.*

11 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 20-123 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-123.

12 (a) When the chairperson and other members of the commission chosen by
13 the members of the bar have been elected, and after the names of the
14 nonlawyer members appointed by the governor have been certified to the
15 clerk of the supreme court as provided in this act, the clerk shall make a
16 record thereof in the clerk's office and shall notify the members of the
17 commission of their election and appointment. The commission shall meet
18 from time to time as may be necessary to discharge the responsibilities of
19 the commission. Such meetings shall be held at such place as the clerk of
20 the supreme court may arrange. Such meeting shall be held upon the call
21 of the chairperson, or in the event of the chairperson's failure to call
22 a meeting when a meeting is necessary, upon the call of any four members
23 of the commission. The commission shall act only at a meeting, and may
24 act only by the concurrence of a majority of its members. The commission
25 shall have power to adopt such reasonable and proper rules and regulations
26 for the conduct of its proceedings and the discharge of its duties as are
27 consistent with this act and the constitution of the state of Kansas.

28 (b) *The supreme court nominating commission shall be and is hereby*
29 *deemed to be a public body and shall be subject to the open meetings act,*
30 *K.S.A. 75-4317 et seq., and amendments thereto.*

31 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 20-128 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-128.

32 Any vacancy occurring from any cause in the office of chairman of the
33 commission or among the lawyer members from the congressional districts
34 shall be filled by appointment by the ~~chief justice of the supreme court of~~
35 ~~Kansas;~~ *governor within 10 days after the governor has been given notice*
36 *of such vacancy. Any appointment made by the governor pursuant to this*
37 *section shall be without regard to political affiliation of the appointee.*
38 ***Such appointee shall be a member of the bar who is a resident of and***
39 ***licensed in Kansas.*** Such appointee ~~to~~ shall hold office until the first day
40 of July following the expiration of four months after such appointment is
41 made. During the four months immediately preceding the termination of
42 such appointive term an election shall be held in the manner by this act
43 provided for other elections of subsequent members of the commission, for

1 the unexpired term, if any, of the member whose vacancy is being filled.
2 Appointments to fill such vacancies shall be certified to the clerk of the
3 supreme court.

4 Sec. 6. K.S.A. 20-130 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-130.
5 The canvassers at any election held pursuant to this act shall consist of the
6 clerk of the supreme court ~~and two (2) or more persons who are members~~
7 ~~of the bar residing in Kansas, either practicing lawyers, justices or judges,~~
8 ~~designated to act as such by the chief justice, the secretary of state or the~~
9 ~~secretary of state's designee and the attorney general or the attorney~~
10 ~~general's designee.~~ The canvassers shall open and canvass the ballots and
11 shall tabulate and sign the results as a record in the office of the clerk.

12 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 20-132 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-132.
13 When a vacancy occurs in the supreme court, the clerk of such court shall
14 promptly notify the chairman of the commission of such vacancy, *and the*
15 *commission shall make nominations of three persons to fill such vacancy*
16 *and certify the names of the nominees to the governor.* When it is known
17 that a vacancy will occur at a definite future date, but the vacancy has not
18 yet occurred, the clerk shall notify the chairman of the commission
19 thereof, and the commission may, within ~~sixty (60)~~ days prior to the
20 occurrence of such vacancy, make its nominations and submit to the
21 governor the names of three ~~(3)~~ persons nominated for such forthcoming
22 vacancy. To the end that the administration of justice may be facilitated
23 and that no vacancy on the supreme court may be permitted to exist
24 unduly, the commission shall make its nominations for each vacancy and
25 certify them to the governor as promptly as possible, and in any event not
26 later than ~~sixty (60)~~ days from the time such vacancy occurs.

27 New Sec. 8. (a) Only attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas and
28 residing in the judicial district on or before the 15th day of November
29 preceding the election of a lawyer member of the district judicial
30 nominating commission, and for whom the roster of attorneys licensed to
31 practice law in Kansas contains the information enumerated in K.S.A.
32 2014 Supp. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, shall be
33 entitled to make nominations or receive and cast ballots in such elections.

34 (b) On or before the 20th day of November preceding the election of a
35 lawyer member of the district judicial nominating commission, the clerk of
36 the supreme court shall transmit a certified copy of the roster of attorneys
37 licensed to practice law in Kansas to the secretary of state. Such certified
38 copy shall include the information enumerated in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-
39 2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, for each person listed on
40 the roster and having a residential address within the judicial district as of
41 the preceding 15th day of November. The certified copy of the roster shall
42 be transmitted in a format prescribed by the secretary of state. Upon
43 receipt of such certified roster, the secretary of state shall append thereto

1 the unique voter identification number for each person listed on the roster
2 having such a number, as contained in the centralized voter registration
3 database described in K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 25-2304, and amendments
4 thereto.

5 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the names, residential
6 addresses, dates of birth, unique voter identifications numbers and dates of
7 licensure to practice law in Kansas of all persons listed on the certified
8 roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas created pursuant to
9 subsection (b), including the information as appended to the roster
10 pursuant to subsection (b), shall be disclosed upon proper request
11 submitted to the clerk of the supreme court or to the secretary of state
12 pursuant to the open records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments
13 thereto.

14 Sec. 9. K.S.A. 20-2904 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-
15 2904. (a) ~~Lawyer members of the district judicial nominating commission~~
16 ~~shall be elected by the lawyers who are qualified electors of the judicial~~
17 ~~district and who are registered with the clerk of the supreme court pursuant~~
18 ~~to rule 208 of such court. Each lawyer member of a district judicial~~
19 ~~nominating commission shall be a qualified elector of such judicial district~~
20 ~~pursuant to this section. The clerk of the supreme court shall use the~~
21 ~~certified roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas, as~~
22 ~~provided to the secretary of state pursuant to section 8, and amendments~~
23 ~~thereto, for ascertaining the names and places of residence of those~~
24 ~~entitled to receive ballots and for ascertaining the qualifications of those~~
25 ~~nominated for membership on the district judicial nominating commission.~~

26 (b) The number of lawyer members to be elected to the district
27 judicial nominating commission of a judicial district shall be as follows:

28 (1) In a judicial district consisting of a single county, the number of
29 members elected shall be equal to the number of nonlawyer members
30 appointed pursuant to subsection (a)(1) of K.S.A. 20-2905, and
31 amendments thereto.

32 (2) In a judicial district consisting of two counties, four members
33 shall be elected.

34 (3) In a judicial district consisting of three or more counties, the
35 number of members elected shall equal the number of counties in such
36 judicial district.

37 ~~(b)~~ (c) (1) Between December 1 and December 15 of the year in
38 which nonpartisan selection of judges of the district court is approved by
39 the electors of the judicial district as provided in K.S.A. 20-2901, and
40 amendments thereto, the clerk of the supreme court shall send to each
41 lawyer by ordinary first class mail a form for nominating one lawyer for
42 election to the commission. Any such nomination shall be received in the
43 office of the clerk of the supreme court on or before January 1 of the

1 following year, together with the written consent of the nominee. After
2 receipt of all nominations which are timely submitted, the clerk shall
3 prepare a ballot containing the names of all lawyers so nominated and
4 shall mail one such ballot and instructions for voting such ballot to each
5 registered lawyer in the judicial district. Ballots shall be prepared in such
6 manner that each lawyer receiving the same shall be instructed to vote for
7 not more than the number of positions to be filled. Each such ballot shall
8 be accompanied by a certificate to be signed and returned by the lawyer
9 voting such ballot, evidencing the qualifications of such lawyer to vote,
10 *including the name and residential address of such lawyer*, and certifying
11 that the ballot was voted by such person. In any judicial district in which
12 the number of nominees does not exceed the number of positions to be
13 filled, the clerk shall declare those nominees to be elected without
14 preparation of a ballot.

15 (2) In order to insure that the election of lawyer members is by secret
16 ballot, the clerk shall provide a separate envelope for the ballot, in which
17 the voted ballot only shall be placed, and the envelope containing the
18 voted ballot shall be placed in another envelope, also to be supplied by the
19 clerk, together with the signed certificate, and received in the office of the
20 clerk of the supreme court on or before February 15 of such year. *A ballot*
21 *not accompanied by the signed certificate of the voter shall not be*
22 *counted.* The ballots returned as provided in this section shall be canvassed
23 within ~~five~~ 10 days thereafter. The canvassers shall consist of the clerk of
24 the supreme court and ~~two or more persons who are registered members of~~
25 ~~the bar residing in Kansas, either practicing lawyers, justices or judges,~~
26 ~~designated to act as such by the chief justice, the secretary of state or the~~
27 ***secretary of state's designee and the attorney general or the attorney***
28 ***general's designee.*** The canvassers shall open and canvass the ballots and
29 shall tabulate and sign the results as a record in the office of the clerk.
30 *After the ballots are counted and the results certified, the ballots shall be*
31 *preserved by the clerk for a period of six months, and the certificates shall*
32 *be preserved by the clerk for a period of five years. No one shall be*
33 *permitted to inspect the ballots received pursuant to this section except*
34 *upon order by the supreme court. Unless otherwise ordered by the*
35 *supreme court, at the end of such six-month period the clerk shall destroy*
36 *the ballots received pursuant to this section, and at the end of such five-*
37 *year period the clerk shall destroy the certificates received pursuant to*
38 *this section.*

39 (c) *Within 14 days after the results of an election are certified*
40 *pursuant to this section, the clerk of the supreme court shall: (1) Create a*
41 *list designating the positions and year for which the selection was held*
42 *and containing the names and residential addresses of all persons who*
43 *returned a ballot with a signed certificate as described in subsection (b);*

1 *and (2) transmit a certified copy of the list to the secretary of state. The*
2 *list described in this subsection shall be transmitted in a format prescribed*
3 *by the secretary of state. Upon receipt of the list described in this*
4 *subsection, the secretary of state shall append the information contained*
5 *therein to the roster for such election as described in section 8, and*
6 *amendments thereto.*

7 *(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the certificates*
8 *received for an election pursuant to this section shall be disclosed upon*
9 *proper request submitted to the clerk of the supreme court pursuant to the*
10 *open records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto.*

11 *(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the lists described in*
12 *subsection (c) shall be disclosed upon proper request submitted to the*
13 *clerk of the supreme court or to the secretary of state pursuant to the open*
14 *records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto.*

15 ~~(e)~~ *(f) After the ballots are counted and tabulated in descending order*
16 *from the nominee receiving the highest number of votes the canvassers*
17 *shall declare to be elected those nominees who are equal in number to the*
18 *number of lawyers to be elected and who have the greatest number of*
19 *votes. In the event of a tie creating more nominees to be elected than there*
20 *are positions to be filled, the canvassers shall determine the person or*
21 *persons to be elected by lot. In the event that less than the required number*
22 *of lawyers is elected, the positions for which lawyers have not been*
23 *elected shall be declared vacant and the vacancies filled in the manner*
24 *prescribed by ~~subsection (e) of~~ K.S.A. 20-2906(e), and amendments*
25 *thereto.*

26 ~~(d)~~ *(g) The procedure provided in this section for election of lawyers*
27 *to serve as members of the first district judicial nominating commission*
28 *established in a judicial district shall apply to the election of lawyers to*
29 *succeed lawyer members of the commission whose terms of office expire,*
30 *except that the form for submitting a nomination shall be sent between*
31 *December 1 and December 15 of the year preceding the year in which*
32 *such terms of office expire, and the dates prescribed for submission of*
33 *nominations and the mailing, returning and canvassing of ballots shall*
34 *apply in the year in which such terms of office expire.*

35 Sec. 10. K.S.A. 20-2907 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-
36 2907. (a) Prior to taking office, each member of a district judicial
37 nominating commission shall take and subscribe an oath of office as
38 provided by law for public officers, and shall file the same with the clerk
39 of the supreme court. After the members of the first commission
40 established in a judicial district have commenced their terms of office, the
41 chairman shall call a meeting of the commission to be held within the
42 judicial district at a time and place designated by the chairman. At such
43 meeting, the commission shall determine a regular meeting place or

1 places, and the commission shall have the power to adopt such reasonable
2 and proper rules and regulations as are necessary for the conduct of its
3 proceedings and the discharge of its duties, consistent with the provisions
4 of this act and the constitution and laws of this state.

5 (b) The commission shall meet only upon call of the chairman, and
6 the commission shall not take any final action except at such meeting. A
7 majority of the members of the commission shall constitute a quorum to
8 do business, but no final action shall be taken except upon a vote of the
9 majority of the members of the commission.

10 (c) Members of the commission shall receive no compensation, but
11 shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in
12 performing their official duties, as provided in ~~subsections (b), (c) and (d)~~
13 ~~of K.S.A. 75-3223 (b), (c) and (d)~~. Such expenses shall be paid from the
14 judicial nominating commission fund as provided in K.S.A. 20-138, ~~as~~
15 ~~amended and amendments thereto~~.

16 (d) The board of county commissioners of each county in a judicial
17 district shall cooperate with the district judicial nominating commission of
18 such judicial district, and shall make available to the commission wherever
19 possible the facilities and services of such county, in order to expedite the
20 business of the commission.

21 (e) *A district judicial nominating commission shall be and is hereby*
22 *deemed to be a public body and shall be subject to the open meetings act,*
23 *K.S.A. 75-4317 et seq., and amendments thereto.*

24 New Sec. 11. If any provision of this bill or the application thereof to
25 any person or circumstances is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid,
26 such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect other provisions or
27 applications of the bill which can be given effect without the
28 unconstitutional or invalid portion or application, and, to this end, the
29 provisions of this bill are severable.

30 Sec. 12. K.S.A. 20-122, 20-123, 20-128, 20-130, 20-132, 20-2904
31 and 20-2907 and K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 7-127 are hereby repealed.

32 Sec. 13. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
33 publication in the Kansas register.