

Kansas Administrative Procedure Act—Electronic Service; SB 19

SB 19 amends hearing provisions in the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act (KAPA) to allow electronic service of items filed by parties, petitions for intervention, orders, and notices. The bill also amends KAPA provisions related to adjudicative proceedings before the State Corporation Commission and Director of Taxation to allow electronic service of requests for information in such proceedings as well as specified written communications regarding the proceeding. The bill amends a KAPA provision related to adjudicative proceedings before the Commissioner of Insurance to allow electronic service of specified written communications regarding the proceeding.

A party must consent to electronic service, and such service is complete upon transmission or as specified in the consent. The consent must specify when service is complete. The bill amends the KAPA definitions statute to define “writing,” “written,” or “in writing” to include electronically transmitted and stored information.

Similarly, the bill amends the Kansas Judicial Review Act to allow electronic service of an order, pleading, or other matter when authorized by Supreme Court rule or a local rule.