

25-26a05. Same; review of maps by secretary of state; approval or rejection; boundaries established by secretary of state, when.

(a) The secretary of state shall promptly review all precinct maps submitted pursuant to K.S.A. 25-26a04, and amendments thereto, for compliance with the provisions of this act. The secretary of state shall promptly notify the appropriate county election officer as to whether or not such precinct maps are in compliance with the provisions of this act. Those precinct maps determined not to be in compliance with this act shall be rejected and returned to the appropriate county election officer with a written statement of noncompliance setting forth those instances where the map is in default. The appropriate county or city officials shall be notified forthwith of the rejection by the county election officer and shall make the required adjustments and resubmit the corrected precinct map or maps within 30 days after receiving notice of noncompliance. Notwithstanding other law to the contrary, changes in precinct boundaries shall not be effective and shall not be used for the conduct of any election until the secretary of state has determined the precinct maps are in compliance with the provisions of this act.

(b) If the initial or corrected precinct maps as required in this act are not filed by the deadlines set forth in this act, the secretary of state is hereby authorized and required to establish where necessary appropriate precinct boundaries in compliance with the provisions of this act, notwithstanding other law to the contrary providing or establishing authority for any county or city official to establish precinct boundaries. The secretary of state will notify the appropriate county election officer of any precincts established under the provisions of this subsection, and the county election officer immediately shall notify the appropriate city or county officials who shall forthwith adopt as the official precincts those precincts established by the secretary of state.

History: L. 1987, ch. 123, § 5; L. 1990, ch. 127, § 4; April 19.