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 and repealing the existing sections.

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: 25-3205. (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. Provisions of law relating to the canvass of the national and state general elections shall, as far as applicable, apply to the canvass and certification of the secretary of state of—such the primary elections. The state board of canvassers shall meet at the office of the secretary of state on the call of the secretary of state as soon as convenient after the tabulation of the 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 Sunday, then not later than the next following day which is not a legal holiday, and may recess from time to time until the final canvass is completed.

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

- (b) The secretary of state shall publish on the official secretary of state website results by precinct for all statewide offices and for state legislative offices as soon as practicable after the final canvass of the primary election is complete.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-3206 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-3206. (a) The state board of canvassers shall make the final canvass of national and state primary and general elections. Such *The* board shall also make the final canvass of elections upon constitutional amendments and

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

- (b) For the purpose of canvassing elections specified in subsection (a), the state board of canvassers shall meet on the call of the secretary of state, in the secretary's office, as soon as convenient after the tabulation of the returns is made. In the case of general elections, the meeting shall be called not later than December 1 next following—such the election, except when—such the date falls on Sunday, then not later than the following day, 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 the office of secretary of state, proceed to make final canvass of any election for officers specified in subsection (a). The state board of canvassers shall certify a statement which shall show the names of the persons receiving votes for any of-such the offices, and the whole number received by each, distinguishing the districts and counties in which they were voted.
- (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 determination of the result of statewide question submitted elections. The state board of canvassers shall certify a statement of the number of votes on each question and the result thereof.
- (e) The state board of canvassers shall certify such statements to be correct, and the members shall subscribe their names thereto, and the board shall determine what persons have been elected to such offices and the members shall endorse and subscribe on the statement a certificate of such the determination and deliver them to the secretary of state.
- (f) The secretary of state shall publish on the official secretary of state website election results by precinct for all statewide offices and for legislative offices as soon as practicable after the final canvass of the general election results.
 - Sec. 3. K.S.A. 25-3205 and 25-3206 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.