SENATE BILL No. 293

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning elections; creating the transparency in revenues underwriting elections act; prohibiting the receipt and expenditure of private moneys by election officials.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The provisions of this section shall be known and may be cited as the transparency in revenues underwriting elections act.

- (b) As used in this section:
- (1) "Election official" means any county election officer or the chief state election official, as such terms are defined in K.S.A. 25-2504, and amendments thereto, and any officer or employee of such election official.
- (2) "Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, company, organization, political party, political committee or any other private entity.
- (c) No election official shall knowingly accept or expend any moneys or any other thing of value, directly or indirectly, from any person, except as provided in any acts of appropriation or as otherwise provided by law, for any expenditures related to conducting, funding or otherwise facilitating the administration of an election pursuant to law.
- (d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any moneys collected by an election official from the payment of fees or assessed costs as required by law or from the proceeds of any sale conducted pursuant to K.S.A. 25-608, and amendments thereto.
- (e) A violation of this section is a severity level 9, nonperson felony.Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 26 publication in the statute book.