

SENATE BILL No. 129

By Committee on Ethics and Elections

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1 AN ACT concerning elections; dealing with filling certain vacancies;
2 amending K.S.A. 25-321 and repealing the existing section.

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

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 25-321 is hereby amended to read as follows: 25-
6 321. A person appointed to the office of state representative under the
7 provisions of this act may hold the office for the remainder of the term.
8 Any person appointed to the office of senator under the provisions of this
9 act may hold the office: (a) If the vacancy occurs prior to ~~October 15~~May
10 1 of the second year of the term, until the next general election, when a
11 senator shall be elected to fill the term; or (b) if such vacancy occurs *on*
12 *or after* ~~October 14~~May 1 of the second year of the term, for the
13 remainder of the term. In cases where the appointment of a senator is
14 until the next general election, *nomination and election of such successor*
15 *shall be in the same manner as nomination and election of a senator for a*
16 *regular term.* ~~nominations for senator to be elected at such general~~
17 ~~election shall be made as follows: (1) If the vacancy occurs prior to June~~
18 ~~1 of the second year of the term, candidates for the office shall be~~
19 ~~nominated at the primary in like manner as regular nominations for state~~
20 ~~senator are made; and (2) if the vacancy occurs on or after June 1 and~~
21 ~~prior to October 15 of the second year of the term, candidates for the~~
22 ~~office shall be nominated by the senatorial district party committee of any~~
23 ~~party having a state and national organization.~~

24 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 25-321 is hereby repealed.

25 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
26 publication in the statute book.

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