

Substitute for HOUSE BILL NO. 2102

AN ACT concerning jurors; relating to juror questionnaires; amending K.S.A. 43-161 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 43-161 is hereby amended to read as follows: 43-161. (a) Each jury commissioner ~~may~~ shall require any person whose name has been selected for a jury list prepared in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 43-162, and amendments thereto, to answer in writing such questions as ~~the commissioner may address to such person~~ established by supreme court rule, relating to such person's name, age, residence, occupation and qualifications as a juror, ~~with a view to the due and faithful jury service of such person and such questions involving similar matters relating to all persons living in such person's residence~~ including, but not limited to, residency, citizenship status and whether such person may be excluded from jury service pursuant to K.S.A. 43-158, and amendments thereto.

(b) Any such person whose name has been selected for a jury list who fails or refuses to answer such questions in writing and signing such person's name thereto, shall be cited for contempt of court.

(c) Any such person whose name has been selected for a jury list who willfully or corruptly makes false answers to such questions put to such person by the jury commissioner shall be guilty of a class A nonperson misdemeanor.

(d) Any jury commissioner that receives information from a prospective juror or court of this state that disqualifies such prospective juror from jury service pursuant to K.S.A. 43-156 and 43-158, and amendments thereto, shall submit such information to the county election officer for the purpose of maintaining voter registration books. Upon receipt of such information,

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the county election officer shall give notice to any individual disqualified from jury service pursuant to K.S.A. 43-156 and 43-158, and amendments thereto, that without good cause shown within 21 days of receipt of the notice, such individual shall be removed from the voter registration books. Any removal of individuals from the registration books by the county election officer shall be reported to the secretary of state for the purpose of maintaining the centralized voter registration database pursuant to K.S.A. 25-2304, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 43-161 is hereby repealed.

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