BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES REGULATORY BOARD BOARD MEETING AGENDA

February 17, 2022

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Thursday, February 17, 2022

8:00 a.m. Call to order and Roll Call

- I. Opening Remarks, Board Chair
- II. Agenda Approval
- III. Review of Legislation Relating to the BSRB
 - A. HB 2672, Creating the Open Borders for Kansas Jobs Act
 - B. SB 497, Concerning Human Trafficking
 - C. Sub. for SB 34, Concerning Administrative Regulations
 - D. HB 2552, Concerning Telemedicine and in-state and Interstate Practitioners under the Kansas Telemedicine Act; Establishing the Kansas Telehealth Advisory Committee

IV. Adjournment

HOUSE BILL No. 2552

By Committee on Health and Human Services

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AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to telemedicine; defining in-state and interstate practitioners under the Kansas telemedicine act; requiring certain insurance coverage of in-state telemedicine services; providing for certain standards of care; establishing the Kansas telehealth advisory committee; amending K.S.A. 40-2,211, 40-2,212 and 40-2,213 and repealing the existing sections

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

New Section 1. (a) There is hereby established the Kansas telehealth advisory committee.

- (b) The committee shall advise and make recommendations regarding telemedicine quality care practices. Such recommendations and any resource materials developed by the committee shall recommend evidence-based practices for the use and future of telemedicine in Kansas. On or before the first day of each regular session of the legislature, the committee shall provide information to the Kansas legislature on telemedicine usage data in Kansas.
- (c) The committee shall consist of the following 22 voting members and three non-voting members:
- (1) Two members of the senate appointed by the president of the senate, including one member from the senate standing committee on public health and welfare, or any successor committee, and one member from the senate standing committee on financial institutions and insurance, or any successor committee;
- (2) two members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, including one member from the house of representatives standing committee on health and human services, or any successor committee, and one member from the house of representatives standing committee on insurance and pensions, or any successor committee;
- 32 (3) one member of the senate appointed by the minority leader of the senate;
 - (4) one member of the house of representatives appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives;
 - (5) two members who are physicians, including one member

 appointed by the Kansas academy of family physicians and one member appointed by the Kansas medical society. The two members appointed under this paragraph shall include one member from an urban area and one member from a rural area;

- (6) one member who is a physician appointed by the Kansas chapter of the American academy of pediatrics;
- (7) two members who are hospital administrators appointed by the Kansas hospital association. The two members appointed under this paragraph shall include one member from an urban area and one member from a rural area:
- (8) two members who are behavioral health professionals, including one member appointed by the association of community mental health centers of Kansas and one member appointed by the Kansas association of addiction support professionals. The two members appointed under this paragraph shall include one member from an urban area and one member from a rural area;
- (9) one member who is a healthcare professional whose primary area of focus is nursing appointed by the Kansas state nurses association;
- (10) one member who is a healthcare professional whose primary area of focus is treating individuals with developmental disabilities appointed by interhab;
 - (11) one member appointed by leading age Kansas;
- (12) one member who is a business community representative appointed by the Kansas chamber of commerce;
- (13) one member who is a community representative appointed by Kansas farm bureau;
- (14) one member who is an insurance industry representative appointed by blue cross blue shield of Kansas;
- (15) one member who is a physician representing an interstate telemedicine practitioner appointed by aetna;
- (16) one member appointed by the heartland telehealth resource center;
 - (17) one member appointed by the Kansas bankers association; and
- (18) one non-voting member appointed by the state medicaid director:
- (19) one non-voting member appointed by the insurance commissioner; and
- (20) one non-voting member appointed by the state board of healing arts.
- (d) Initial members of the committee shall be appointed within 90 days after the effective date of this section. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy in the membership of the committee shall be appointed in the manner provided for the original appointment of the member who vacated.

 (e) The president of the senate shall select one member of the committee who is a member of the senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives shall select one member of the committee who is a member of the house of representatives, both to serve as co-chairpersons of the committee.

- (f) The committee shall meet not fewer than four times per year upon the call of either co-chairperson. The co-chairpersons shall call the first meeting of the committee on or before October 1, 2022. A majority of the voting members of the committee constitutes a quorum. Any action by the committee shall be by motion adopted by a majority of the voting members present when there is a quorum.
- (g) Staff of the office of revisor of statutes, the legislative research department and the division of legislative administrative services shall provide assistance to the committee as may be requested by the co-chairpersons.
- (h) Subject to approval by the legislative coordinating council, legislative members of the committee attending meetings of the committee shall be paid amounts for expenses, mileage and subsistence as provided in K.S.A. 75-3223(e), and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 40-2,211 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2,211. (a) For purposes of Kansas telemedicine act:
- (1)(a) "Distant site" means a site-at which, including an unlicensed or private location, where a healthcare provider is located while providing healthcare services by means of telemedicine.
- (2)(b) "Healthcare provider" means a physician, licensed physician assistant, licensed advanced practice registered nurse or person licensed, registered, certified or otherwise authorized to practice by the behavioral sciences regulatory board.
- (3)(c) "In-state practitioner" means any healthcare provider who has a physical location of practice in the state of Kansas as authorized by the applicable Kansas licensing and regulatory agency.
- (d) "Interstate telehealth practitioner" means a healthcare provider who does not have a physical location of practice in the state of Kansas and provides only telemedicine services to patients in the state of Kansas pursuant to a telemedicine waiver issued by the state board of healing arts
- (e) "Originating site" means a site at which a patient is located at the time healthcare services are provided by means of telemedicine.
- (4)(f) "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the state board of healing arts.
- (5)(g) "Telemedicine," including "telehealth," means the delivery of healthcare services or consultations while the patient is at an originating site and the healthcare provider is at a distant site. Telemedicine shall be

provided by means of real-time two-way interactive audio, visual, or audio-visual communications, including the application of secure video conferencing, *remote patient monitoring* or store-and-forward technology to provide or support healthcare delivery, that facilitate the assessment, diagnosis, consultation, treatment, education and care management of a patient's healthcare. "Telemedicine" does not include communication between:

- (A)(1) Healthcare providers that consist solely of a telephone voiceonly conversation, an email or facsimile transmission; or
- (B)(2) a physician healthcare provider and a patient that consists solely of an email, voicemail, instant message or facsimile transmission.
 - (b) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2019.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 40-2,212 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2,212. (a) The same requirements for patient privacy and confidentiality under the health insurance portability and accountability act of 1996 and 42 C.F.R. § 2.13, as applicable, that apply to healthcare services delivered via in-person contact shall also apply to healthcare services delivered via telemedicine. Nothing in this section shall supersede the provisions of any state law relating to the confidentiality, privacy, security or privileged status of protected health information.
- (b) Telemedicine may be used to establish a valid provider-patient relationship.
- (c) Telemedicine may be used by an in-state practitioner to refer a patient to a specialty service healthcare provider to the extent that such services are consistent with the standard of care for an in-state practitioner.
- (d) The same standards of practice and conduct that apply to healthcare services delivered via in-person contact with a patient shall also apply to healthcare services delivered via telemedicine.
- (d)(e) (1) A-person healthcare provider authorized by law to provide and who provides telemedicine services to a patient shall provide the patient with guidance on appropriate follow-up care.
- (2) (A) Except when otherwise prohibited by any other provision of law, when the patient consents to treatment via telemedicine and the patient has a primary care physician or other treating physician, the person in-state practitioner or interstate telemedicine practitioner providing telemedicine services shall send within three business days a report to such primary care physician or other treating physician of the treatment and services rendered to the patient in the telemedicine encounter.
- (B) A person licensed, registered, certified or otherwise authorized to practice by the behavioral sciences regulatory board shall not be required to comply with the provisions of subparagraph (A).
 - (e) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2019.

 (f) An in-state practitioner may use audio-only communication with a patient who has an existing relationship with an in-state practitioner if:

- (1) An audio-visual telemedicine encounter is not reasonably available due to the patient's functional status or lack of technological access or telecommunications infrastructure limits, as determined by the in-state practitioner; and
- (2) the telemedicine encounter is initiated at the request of the patient or authorized by the patient before the telemedicine encounter.
- (g) (1) If the actions described in subparagraphs (A) through (E) would be required for the provision of the same healthcare services delivered in a manner other than telemedicine, a healthcare provider who uses telemedicine shall:
- (A) Establish a healthcare provider-patient relationship prior to providing care and treatment to a patient;
- (B) obtain the patient's name and contact information and, to the extent reasonably possible, confirmation of the identity of the patient and a verbal statement or other data from the patient identifying the patient's location;
- (C) disclose the provider's name and licensure, certification or registration;
- (D) create and maintain a medical record for the patient consistent with the standard of care for maintaining medical records for patients treated in an in-person setting; and
- (E) if a prescription order is issued for the patient and subject to the consent of the patient, notify the patient's primary care physician, if any, of any prescription orders issued for the patient.
- (2) The requirements of paragraph (1) shall not apply if the healthcare provider:
- (A) Is using an electronic health record system that the patient's primary care physician is authorized to access; and
- (B) has established an ongoing provider-patient relationship with the patient by providing care and treatment to the patient at least two consecutive times via telemedicine services.
- (3) Any medical records required to be created and maintained under this subsection shall be created and maintained under the same standards of appropriate practice as such standards apply for medical records for patients in an in-person setting.
- (h) A healthcare provider may refuse at any time to provide healthcare services using telemedicine if, in the healthcare provider's sole discretion, the provider believes:
- (1) The health quality may be negatively impacted by providing services or items via telemedicine; or
 - (2) the healthcare provider would be unable to provide the same

clinical standards of care as provided in an in-person setting.

- (i) Nothing in the Kansas telemedicine act shall be construed to require any individual to use telemedicine or any healthcare provider to provide services via telemedicine.
- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 40-2,213 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2,213. (a) The provisions of this section shall apply to any individual or group health insurance policy, medical service plan, contract, hospital service corporation contract, hospital and medical service corporation contract, fraternal benefit society or health maintenance organization that provides coverage for accident and health services and that is delivered, issued for delivery, amended or renewed on or after January 1, 2019 July 1, 2022. The provisions of this section shall also apply to the Kansas medical assistance program.
- (b) No individual or group health insurance policy, medical service plan, contract, hospital service corporation contract, hospital and medical service corporation contract, fraternal benefit society, health maintenance organization or the Kansas medical assistance program shall:
- (1) Exclude an otherwise covered healthcare service from coverage solely because such service is provided through telemedicine, rather than in-person contact, or based upon the lack of a commercial office for the practice of medicine, when such service is delivered by a healthcare provider; or
- (2) require the use of any specific information technology application by any in-state practitioner.
- (c) The insured's covered individual's medical record shall serve to satisfy all documentation for the reimbursement of all telemedicine healthcare services, and no additional documentation outside of the medical record shall be required.
- (d) Payment or reimbursement of covered healthcare services delivered through telemedicine—may by an in-state practitioner shall be established by an insurance company, nonprofit health service corporation, nonprofit medical and hospital service corporation or health maintenance organization in the same manner as payment or reimbursement for covered services that are delivered via in-person contact—are is established.
- (e) An individual or group health insurance policy, medical service plan, contract, hospital service corporation contract, hospital and medical service corporation contract, fraternal benefit society or health maintenance organization that provides coverage for accident and health services and the Kansas medical assistance program shall provide payment and reimbursement for telemedicine services provided by an instate practitioner under the same criteria that the policy provides for payment and reimbursement for the same or similar healthcare services delivered in person by an in-state practitioner.

(f) Coverage and payment for telemedicine services provided by an in-state practitioner shall not be subject to any dollar limit, deductible or coinsurance requirement that is less favorable to a covered individual than the dollar limit, deductible or coinsurance requirement that applies to the same healthcare services delivered to a covered individual in person by an in-state practitioner.

- (g) Any coverage limit or annual or lifetime aggregate dollar limit that applies to telemedicine services provided by an in-state practitioner shall be the same such limit that applies to all items and services provided by an in-state practitioner covered under the policy.
- (h) An interstate telehealth practitioner shall not be affected by instate practitioner reimbursement rates established under Kansas law. The provisions of subsections (d) through (g) shall not apply to items or services provided by an interstate telemedicine practitioner.
 - (i) Nothing in this section shall be construed to:
- (1) Prohibit an individual or group health insurance policy, medical service plan, contract, hospital service corporation contract, hospital and medical service corporation contract, fraternal benefit society or health maintenance organization that provides coverage for telemedicine or the Kansas medical assistance program from providing coverage for only those services that are medically necessary, subject to the terms and conditions of the covered individual's health benefits plan;
- (2) mandate coverage for a healthcare service delivered via telemedicine if such healthcare service is not already a covered healthcare service, when delivered by a healthcare provider subject to the terms and conditions of the covered individual's health benefits plan; or
- (3) allow an individual or group health insurance policy, medical service plan, contract, hospital service corporation contract, hospital and medical service corporation contract, fraternal benefit society or health maintenance organization that provides coverage for telemedicine or the Kansas medical assistance program to require a covered individual to use telemedicine or in lieu of receiving an in-person healthcare service or consultation from an in-network provider.
- 34 (f)(j) The provisions of K.S.A. 40-2248 and 40-2249a, and 35 amendments thereto, shall not apply to this section.
 - (g) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2019.
 - Sec. 5. K.S.A. 40-2,211, 40-2,212 and 40-2,213 are hereby repealed.
 - Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.

HOUSE BILL No. 2672

By Representative Rhiley

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AN ACT concerning labor; relating to licensing of professional occupations; creating the open borders for Kansas jobs act; providing for issuance of Kansas licenses or certifications to practice certain professions to persons holding credentials from other states that have substantially equivalent requirements for such licenses or certifications as Kansas; amending K.S.A. 1-302, 65-1152, 65-1505, 65-1663, 65-2833, 65-28a04, 65-28b03, 65-2906, 65-4203, 65-5406, 65-5506, 65-5910, 65-7203, 65-7503, 72-2157 and 75-7b04 and K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 65-6129 and 65-6322 and repealing the existing sections.

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WHEREAS, The provisions of K.S.A. 1-302, 65-1152, 65-1505, 65-1663, 65-2833, 65-28a04, 65-28b03, 65-2906, 65-4203, 65-5406, 65-5506, 65-5910, 65-7203, 65-7503, 72-2157 and 75-7b04 and K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 65-6129 and 65-6322, as amended by this act, shall be known as the open borders for Kansas jobs act.

Now, therefore:

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 1-302 is hereby amended to read as follows: 1-302. (a) The certificate of certified public accountant shall be known as the Kansas certificate and shall be granted by the board to any person of good moral character who: (1) Is a resident of this state or has a place of business or is employed therein; (2) meets the educational requirements prescribed by K.S.A. 1-302a, and amendments thereto; and (3) has passed an examination in accounting and auditing and in such other related subjects as the board may determine to be appropriate.

- (b) The board may grant a Kansas certificate to any person who holds a current, valid certificate or license as a certified public accountant issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such certification or licensure as the board. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for a Kansas certificate.
- (c) The board may refuse to grant a certificate on the ground of failure to satisfy the good moral character requirement subject to notice and an opportunity for the person to be heard pursuant to the Kansas administrative procedures procedure act.

 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-1152 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1152. (a) In order to obtain authorization from the board of nursing to practice as a registered nurse anesthetist an individual shall meet the following requirements:

- (1) Be licensed to practice professional nursing under the Kansas nurse practice act;
- (2) has successfully completed a course of study in nurse anesthesia in a school of nurse anesthesia approved by the board;
- (3) has successfully completed an examination approved by the board or has been certified by a national organization whose certifying standards are approved by the board as equal to or greater than the corresponding standards established under this act for obtaining authorization to practice as a registered nurse anesthetist; and
- (4) be required to successfully complete a refresher course as defined in rules and regulations of the board if the individual has not been in active anesthesia practice for five years preceding the application.
- (b) The board may authorize an individual to practice as a registered nurse anesthetist if such individual has been duly licensed, certified or otherwise authorized to practice as a registered nurse anesthetist under the laws of another state if, in the opinion of the board, the applicant meets the same qualifications required of a registered nurse anesthetist in this state. Verification of the applicant's licensure, certification or authorization status shall be required from the other state.
- (c) Approval of schools of nurse anesthesia shall be based on approval standards specified in K.S.A. 65-1133, and amendments thereto.
- $\frac{\text{(e)}(d)}{\text{(e)}}$ Schools of nurse anesthesia approved by the board under this section shall offer, a masters level degree program in nurse anesthesia.
- (d)(e) For the purposes of determining whether an individual meets the requirements of item (2) of subsection (a)(2), the board by rules and regulations shall establish criteria for determining whether a particular school of nurse anesthesia maintains standards which that are at least equal to schools of nurse anesthesia which that are approved by the board.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 65-1505 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1505. (a) Persons entitled to practice optometry in Kansas shall be those persons licensed in accordance with the provisions of the optometry law. A person shall be qualified to be licensed and to receive a license as an optometrist: (1) Who is of good moral character; and in determining the moral character of any such person, the board may take into consideration any felony conviction of such person, but such conviction shall not automatically operate as a bar to licensure; (2) who has graduated from a school or college of optometry approved by the board; and (3) who successfully meets and completes the requirements set by the board and passes an examination given by the board.

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(b) The board may grant a license to any person who holds a current, valid license to practice optometry issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the board. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such licensure.

- (c) All applicants for licensure, in addition to successfully completing all other requirements for licensure, shall submit evidence satisfactory to the board of professional liability insurance in an amount acceptable to the board.
- Any person applying for examination by the board shall fill out and swear to an application furnished by the board, accompanied by a fee fixed by the board by rules and regulations in an amount of not to exceed \$450, and file the same with the secretary of the board at least 30 days prior to the holding of the examination. At such examinations the board shall examine each applicant in subjects taught in schools or colleges of optometry approved by the board, as may be required by the board. If such person complies with the other qualifications for licensing and passes such examination, such person shall receive from the board, upon the payment of a fee fixed by the board by rules and regulations in an amount of not to exceed \$150, a license entitling such person to practice optometry. In the event of the failure on the part of the applicant to pass the first examination, such person may, with the consent of the board, within 18 months, by filing an application accompanied by a fee fixed by the board by rules and regulations in an amount of not to exceed \$150, take a second examination: for the third and each subsequent examination a fee fixed by the board by rules and regulations in an amount of not to exceed \$150. Any examination fee and license fee fixed by the board under this subsection which is in effect on the day preceding the effective date of this act shall continue in effect until the board adopts rules and regulations under this subsection fixing a different fee therefor.
- (d)(e) Any applicant for reciprocal licensure may in the board's discretion be licensed and issued a license without examination if the applicant has been in the active practice of optometry in another state for at least the three-year period immediately preceding the application for reciprocal licensure and the applicant:
- (1) Presents a certified copy of a certificate of registration or license which that has been issued to the applicant by another state where the requirements for licensure are deemed by the board to be equivalent to the requirements for licensure under this act, if such state accords a like privilege to holders of a license issued by the board;
- (2) submits a sworn statement of the licensing authority of such other state that the applicant's license has never been limited, suspended or

revoked and that the applicant has never been censured or had other disciplinary action taken;

- (3) successfully passes an examination of Kansas law administered by the board and such clinical practice examination as the board deems necessary; and
- (4) pays the reciprocal license fixed by the board by rules and regulations in an amount of not to exceed \$450. The reciprocal license fee fixed by the board under this subsection—which that is in effect on the day preceding the effective date of this act shall continue in effect until the board adopts rules and regulations under this subsection fixing a different fee therefor.
- (e)(f) The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing the criteria which that a school or college of optometry shall satisfy in meeting the requirement of approval by the board established under subsection (a). The board may send a questionnaire developed by the board to any school or college of optometry for which the board does not have sufficient information to determine whether the school or college meets the requirements for approval and rules and regulations adopted under this act. The questionnaire providing the necessary information shall be completed and returned to the board in order for the school or college to be considered for approval. The board may contract with investigative agencies, commissions or consultants to assist the board in obtaining information about schools or colleges. In entering such contracts the authority to approve schools or colleges shall remain solely with the board.
- (f)(g) (1) The board may require an applicant for licensure or a licensee in connection with an investigation of the licensee to be fingerprinted and submit to a state and national criminal history record check. The fingerprints shall be used to identify the licensee or applicant for licensure and to determine whether the licensee or applicant for licensure has a record of criminal arrests and convictions in this state or other jurisdictions. The board is authorized to submit the fingerprints to the Kansas bureau of investigation, the federal bureau of investigation or any other law enforcement or criminal justice agency for a state and national criminal history record check. The board may use the information obtained through the criminal history record check for the purposes of verifying the identification of the licensee or applicant for licensure and in the official character and fitness determination of the licensee or applicant for licensure to practice optometry in this state.
- (2) Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall assist the board in taking and processing fingerprints of licensees and applicants for licensure and shall release to the board all records of adult convictions, arrests and nonconvictions in this state and all records of adult convictions, arrests and nonconvictions of any other state or country. The board may

enter into agreements with the Kansas bureau of investigation, the federal bureau of investigation or any other law enforcement or criminal justice agency as necessary to carry out the duties of the board under this act.

- (3) The fingerprints and all information obtained from the criminal history record check shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed except to members of the board and agents and employees of the board as necessary to verify the identification of any licensee or applicant for licensure and in the official character and fitness determination of the licensee or applicant for licensure to practice optometry in this state. Any other disclosure of such confidential information shall constitute a class A misdemeanor and shall constitute grounds for removal from office, termination of employment or denial, revocation or suspension of any license issued under this act.
- (4) (A) The board shall fix a fee for fingerprinting applicants or licensees in an amount necessary to reimburse the board for the cost of the fingerprinting. Fees collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the criminal history and fingerprinting fund.
- (B) There is hereby created in the state treasury the criminal history and fingerprinting fund. All moneys credited to the fund shall be used to pay all costs and fees associated with processing of fingerprints and criminal history checks for the board of examiners in optometry. The fund shall be administered by the board. All expenditures from the fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the president of the board or a person designated by the president.
- K.S.A. 65-1663 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1663. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to function as a pharmacy technician in this state unless such person is registered with the board as a pharmacy technician. Every person registered as a pharmacy technician shall have graduated from an accredited high school or its equivalent, obtained a graduate equivalent diploma (GED) or be enrolled and in good standing in a high school education program. Every person registered as a pharmacy technician shall pass one or more examinations identified and approved by the board within the period or periods of time specified by the board after becoming registered. The board shall adopt rules and regulations identifying the required examinations, when they must be passed and establishing the criteria for the required examinations and passing scores. The board may include as a required examination any national pharmacy technician certification examination. The board shall adopt rules and regulations restricting the tasks a pharmacy technician may perform prior to passing any required examinations.
- (b) Any person who holds a current, valid license or registration as a pharmacy technician issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of

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42 43 another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure or registration as the board may be registered as a pharmacy technician in this state. An applicant for registration pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such registration.

- (c) All applications for registration shall be made on a form to be prescribed and furnished by the board. Each application for registration shall be accompanied by a registration fee fixed by the board by rule and regulation not to exceed \$50.
- (e)(d) The board shall take into consideration any felony conviction of an applicant, but such conviction shall not automatically operate as a bar to registration.
- (d)(e) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, each pharmacy technician registration issued by the board shall expire every two years. The expiration date shall be established by rules and regulations adopted by the board. To provide for a system of biennial renewal of pharmacy technician registrations, the board may provide by rules and regulations that registrations issued or renewed may expire less than two years from the date of issuance or renewal. Each applicant for renewal of a pharmacy technician registration shall be made on a form prescribed and furnished by the board and shall be accompanied by a renewal fee fixed by the board by rule and regulation not to exceed \$25. Pharmacy technician registration renewal fees may be prorated for registration periods which are less than biennial in accordance with rules and regulations of the board. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the application for registration renewal, when accompanied by the renewal fee and evidence satisfactory to the board that the person has successfully complied with the rules and regulations of the board establishing the requirements for a program of continuing pharmacy technician education and received by the secretary on or before the date of expiration of the registration, shall have the effect of temporarily renewing the applicant's registration until actual issuance or denial of the renewal registration. If at the time of filing a proceeding is pending before the board which may result in the suspension, probation, revocation or denial of the applicant's registration, the board may by emergency order declare that the application for renewal shall not have the effect of temporarily renewing such applicant's registration. If the renewal fee is not paid prior to the expiration date of the renewal year, the registration is void.
 - (e)(f) Continuing pharmacy technician education requirements shall be fixed by the board at not more than 20 clock hours biennially of a program of continuing education approved by the board. Continuing education hours may be prorated for licensure periods that are less than biennial in accordance with rules and regulations of the board.

 (f)(g) (1) The board may limit, suspend or revoke a registration or deny an application for issuance or renewal of any registration as a pharmacy technician on any ground, which that would authorize the board to take action against the license of a pharmacist under K.S.A. 65-1627, and amendments thereto

- (2) The board may require a physical or mental examination, or both, of a person applying for or registered as a pharmacy technician.
- (3) The board may temporarily suspend or temporarily limit the registration of any pharmacy technician in accordance with the emergency adjudicative proceedings under the Kansas administrative procedure act if the board determines that there is cause to believe that grounds exist for disciplinary action under this section against the registrant and that the registrant's continuation of pharmacy technician functions would constitute an imminent danger to the public health and safety.
- (4) Proceedings under this section shall be subject to the Kansas administrative procedure act.
- $\frac{(g)}{(h)}$ Every registered pharmacy technician, within 30 days of obtaining new employment or ceasing employment as a pharmacy technician, shall notify the secretary of the name and address of the new employer or cessation of employment.
- (h)(i) Every pharmacy technician who changes their residential address, email address or legal name shall, within 30 days thereof, notify the secretary of such change on a form prescribed and furnished by the board.
- (i)(i) Each pharmacy shall at all times maintain a list of the names of pharmacy technicians employed by the pharmacy. A pharmacy technician shall work under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist, and while on duty, shall wear a name badge or similar identification with the pharmacy technician's name and designation as a pharmacy technician. It shall be the responsibility of the supervising pharmacist to determine that the pharmacy technician is in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations of the board, and the supervising pharmacist shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of the pharmacy technician in the performance of the pharmacy technician's duties. The ratio of pharmacy technicians to pharmacists in the prescription area of a pharmacy shall be prescribed by the board by rule and regulation. Any change in the ratio of pharmacy technicians to pharmacists in the prescription area of the pharmacy must be adopted by a vote of no less than six members of the board
- $\frac{f}{f}(k)$ Every registered pharmacy technician shall display the current registration in that part of the place of business in which such person is engaged in pharmacy technician activities.
 - (k)(l) Every pharmacy technician registered after July 1, 2017, shall

 be required to pass a certified pharmacy technician examination approved by the board.

- $\frac{(1)}{m}$ The board shall adopt such rules and regulations as are necessary to ensure that pharmacy technicians are adequately trained as to the nature and scope of their lawful duties.
- $\frac{(m)}{n}$ The board may adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes and enforce the provisions of this act.
- $\frac{\text{(n)}(o)}{\text{(n)}}$ This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the pharmacy act of the state of Kansas.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 65-2833 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-2833. (a) Except as provided in subsection (d) for persons who hold a current, valid license to practice medicine and surgery issued by another state, the board, without examination, may issue a license to a person who has been in the active practice of a branch of the healing arts in some other state, territory, the District of Columbia or other country upon certificate of the proper licensing authority of that state, territory, District of Columbia or other country certifying that the applicant is duly licensed, that the applicant's license has never been limited, suspended or revoked, that the licensee has never been censured or had other disciplinary action taken and that, so far as the records of such authority are concerned, the applicant is entitled to its endorsement. The applicant shall also present proof satisfactory to the board:
- (a)(1) That the state, territory, District of Columbia or country in which the applicant last practiced has and maintains standards at least equal to those maintained by Kansas.
- (b)(2) That the applicant's original license was based upon an examination at least equal in quality to the examination required in this state and that the passing grade required to obtain such original license was comparable to that required in this state.
- (e)(3) Of the date of the applicant's original and any and all endorsed licenses and the date and place from which any license was attained.
- $\frac{\text{(d)}(4)}{\text{(d)}}$ That the applicant has been actively engaged in practice under such license or licenses since issued. The board may adopt rules and regulations establishing qualitative and quantitative practice activities which qualify as active practice.
- $\frac{\text{(e)}}{\text{(5)}}$ That the applicant has a reasonable ability to communicate in English.
- (b) An applicant for a license by endorsement shall not be licensed unless, as determined by the board, the applicant's individual qualifications are substantially equivalent to the Kansas legal requirements.
- (c) In lieu of any other requirement prescribed by law for satisfactory passage of any examination in any branch of the healing arts the board may accept evidence satisfactory to it that the applicant or licensee has

satisfactorily passed an equivalent examination given by a national board of examiners in chiropractic, osteopathic medicine and surgery or medicine and surgery as now required by Kansas statutes for endorsement from other states.

- (d) (1) The state board of healing arts may grant a license to practice medicine and surgery and renew such license as provided in K.S.A. 65-2809, and amendments thereto, to any person who holds a current, valid license to practice medicine and surgery issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the state board of healing arts.
- (2) An applicant for a license pursuant to this subsection shall submit any information required by the state board of healing arts and pay any fees required for licensure in this state.
- Sec. 6. K.S.A. 65-28a04 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-28a04. (a) No person shall be licensed as a physician assistant by the state board of healing arts unless such person has:
- (1) Presented to the state board of healing arts proof that the applicant has successfully completed a course of education and training approved by the state board of healing arts for the education and training of a physician assistant or presented to the state board of healing arts proof that the applicant has acquired experience while serving in the armed forces of the United States—which experience that is equivalent to the minimum experience requirements established by the state board of healing arts;
- (2) passed an examination approved by the state board of healing arts covering subjects incident to the education and training of a physician assistant; and
- (3) submitted to the state board of healing arts any other information the state board of healing arts deems necessary to evaluate the applicant's qualifications.
- (b) The board may grant a license to any person who holds a current, valid license as a physician assistant issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the board. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such licensure.
- (c) The board may refuse to license a person as a physician assistant upon any of the grounds for which the board may revoke such license.
- (e)(d) The state board of healing arts shall require every physician assistant to submit with the renewal application evidence of satisfactory completion of a program of continuing education required by the state board of healing arts. The state board of healing arts by duly adopted rules and regulations shall establish the requirements for such program of continuing education as soon as possible after the effective date of this act.

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 In establishing such requirements the state board of healing arts shall consider any existing programs of continuing education currently being offered to physician assistants.

- (d)(e) A person registered to practice as a physician assistant immediately prior to the effective date of this act shall be deemed to be licensed to practice as a physician assistant under this act, and such person shall not be required to file an original application for licensure under this act. Any application for registration filed which has not been granted prior to February 1, 2001, shall be processed as an application for licensure under this act.
- Sec. 7. K.S.A. 65-28b03 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-28b03. (a) In order to obtain authorization to engage in the independent practice of midwifery, a certified nurse-midwife must meet the following requirements:
- (1) Be licensed to practice professional nursing under the Kansas nurse practice act;
- (2) have successfully completed a course of study in nurse-midwifery in a school of nurse-midwifery approved by the board;
- (3) have successfully completed a national certification approved by the board;
 - (4) have successfully completed a refresher course as defined by rules and regulations of the board, if the individual has not been in active midwifery practice for five years immediately preceding the application;
 - (5) be authorized to perform the duties of a certified nurse-midwife by the state board of nursing;
 - (6) be licensed as an advanced practice registered nurse by the state board of nursing; and
 - (7) have paid all fees for licensure prescribed in K.S.A. 65-28b05, and amendments thereto.
 - (b) Upon application to the board by any certified nurse-midwife and upon satisfaction of the standards and requirements established under this act, the board shall grant an authorization to the applicant to engage in the independent practice of midwifery. The board may authorize any person to engage in the independent practice of midwifery if such person is authorized to engage in such practice by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such authorization as the board. An applicant for authorization to practice midwifery pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for licensure under K.S.A. 65-28b05, and amendments thereto.
 - (c) A person whose licensure has been revoked may make written application to the board requesting reinstatement of the license in a manner prescribed by the board, which application shall be accompanied by the

 fee prescribed in K.S.A. 65-28b05, and amendments thereto.

- (d) The provisions of this section shall become effective on January 1, 2017.
- Sec. 8. K.S.A. 65-2906 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-2906. (a) The board, with the advice and assistance of the council, shall pass upon the qualifications of all applicants for licensure or certification and duly license or certify those applicants who meet the qualifications established by this act.
- (b) An applicant applying for licensure as a physical therapist or for a certificate as a physical therapist assistant shall file a written application on forms provided by the board, showing to the satisfaction of the board that the applicant meets the following requirements:
 - (1) The applicant is of legal age;
- (2) the applicant has successfully completed the academic requirements of an educational program in physical therapy approved by the board which is appropriate for the certification or licensure of the applicant or, if the applicant attended a program not approved by the board, the applicant shall present an evaluation by an entity approved by the board showing that applicant's educational program met the criteria a school must satisfy to be approved by the board;
- (3) the applicant has passed an examination required by the board which is appropriate for the certification or licensure of the applicant to test the applicant's knowledge of the basic and clinical sciences relating to physical therapy theory and practice; and
- (4) the applicant has paid to the board all applicable fees established under K.S.A. 65-2911, and amendments thereto.
- (c) The board may grant a license or certification to any person who holds a current, valid license or certification as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure or certification as the board. An applicant for a license or certification issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such licensure or certification.
- (d) The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing the criteria which a school shall satisfy in order to be approved by the board for purposes of subsection (b). The board may send a questionnaire developed by the board to any school for which the board does not have sufficient information to determine whether the school meets the requirements of the board for approval and rules and regulations adopted under this section. The questionnaire providing the necessary information shall be completed and returned to the board in order for the school to be considered for approval. The board may contract with investigative

agencies, commissions or consultants to assist the board in obtaining information about schools. In entering such contracts the authority to approve schools shall remain solely with the board.

- Sec. 9. K.S.A. 65-4203 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-4203. (a) *Qualification*. An applicant for a license to practice as a mental health technician shall:
- (1) Have graduated from a high school accredited by the appropriate legal accrediting agency or have obtained the equivalent of a high school education, as determined by the state department of education;
- (2) have satisfactorily completed an approved course of mental health technology; and
 - (3) file with the board a written application for a license.
- (b) The board may issue a license to an applicant to practice as a mental health technician who has:
 - (1) Met the qualifications set forth in subsection (a);
- (2) passed a written examination in mental health technology as prescribed by the board; and
- (3) no disqualifying factors under K.S.A. 65-4209, and amendments thereto.
- (c) Licensure examination within 24 months of graduation. (1) Persons who do not take the licensure examination within 24 months after graduation shall petition the board for permission prior to taking the licensure examination. The board may require the applicant to submit and complete a plan of study prior to taking the licensure examination.
- (2) Persons who are unsuccessful in passing the licensure examination within 24 months after graduation shall petition the board for permission prior to subsequent attempts. The board may require the applicant to submit and complete a plan of study prior to taking the licensure examination a subsequent time. The study plan shall contain subjects related to deficiencies identified on the failed examination profiles.
- (d) Licensure recognition. The board may grant a license to any person who holds a current, valid license to practice as a mental health technician issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the board. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such licensure.
- (e) An application for initial licensure will be held awaiting completion of meeting qualifications for a time period specified in rules and regulations.
- (e)(f) Refresher course. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), an applicant for a license to practice as a mental health technician who

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 has not been licensed to practice as a mental health technician for five years preceding application shall be required to successfully complete a refresher course as defined by the board in rules and regulations.

- (f)(g) The board may issue a one-time temporary permit to practice as a mental health technician for a period not to exceed 120 days when a reinstatement application has been made.
- (g)(h) Exempt license. The board may issue an exempt license to any licensee as defined in rules and regulations who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the board, who remits a fee as established pursuant to K.S.A. 65-4208, and amendments thereto, and who is not regularly engaged in mental health technician practice in Kansas but volunteers mental health technician service or is a charitable health care provider as defined by K.S.A. 75-6102, and amendments thereto. Each exempt licensee shall be subject to all provisions of the mental health technician act, except as otherwise provided in this subsection (e). Each exempt license may be renewed biennially subject to the provisions of this section. The holder of the exempt license shall not be required to submit evidence of satisfactory completion of a program of continuing education for renewal. To convert an exempt license to an active license, the exempt licensee shall meet all the requirements of subsection (b) or K.S.A. 65-4205, and amendments thereto. The board shall have authority to write rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.
- (h)(i) The board may adopt rules and regulations as necessary to administer the mental health technician's licensure act.
- Sec. 10. K.S.A. 65-5406 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-5406. (a) An applicant applying for licensure as an occupational therapist or as an occupational therapy assistant shall file a written application on forms provided by the board, showing to the satisfaction of the board that the applicant meets the following requirements:
- (1) Education: The applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the board of having successfully completed the academic requirements of an educational program in occupational therapy recognized by the board.
- (2) Experience: The applicant shall submit to the board evidence of having successfully completed a period of supervised field work at a minimum recognized by the board.
- (3) Examination: The applicant shall pass an examination as provided for in K.S.A. 65-5407, and amendments thereto.
- (4) Fees: The applicants shall pay to the board all applicable fees established under K.S.A. 65-5409, and amendments thereto.
- (b) The board may grant a license to any person who holds a current, valid license as an occupational therapist or as an occupational therapy assistant issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the board.

 An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such licensure.

- (c) The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing the criteria which an educational program in occupational therapy shall satisfy to be recognized by the board under $\frac{1}{\text{paragraph}}$ (1) of subsection (a)(1). The board may send a questionnaire developed by the board to any school or other entity conducting an educational program in occupational therapy for which the board does not have sufficient information to determine whether the program should be recognized by the board and whether the program meets the rules and regulations adopted under this section. The questionnaire providing the necessary information shall be completed and returned to the board in order for the program to be considered for recognition. The board may contract with investigative agencies, commissions or consultants to assist the board in obtaining information about an educational program in occupational therapy. In entering such contracts the authority to recognize an educational program in occupational therapy shall remain solely with the board.
- Sec. 11. K.S.A. 65-5506 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-5506. (a) An applicant applying for licensure as a respiratory therapist shall file a written application on forms provided by the board, showing to the satisfaction of the board that the applicant meets the following requirements:
- (1) Education: The applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the board of having successfully completed an educational program in respiratory therapy approved by the board.
- (2) Examination: The applicant shall pass an examination as provided for in K.S.A. 65-5507, and amendments thereto.
- (3) Fees: The applicants shall pay to the board all applicable fees established under K.S.A. 65-5509, and amendments thereto.
- (b) The board may grant a license to any person who holds a current, valid license as a respiratory therapist issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the board. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such licensure.
- (c) The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing the criteria for an educational program in respiratory therapy to obtain successful recognition by the board under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) (1). The board may send a questionnaire developed by the board to any school or other entity conducting an educational program in respiratory therapy for which the board does not have sufficient information to determine whether the program should be recognized by the board and

whether the program meets the rules and regulations adopted under this section. The questionnaire providing the necessary information shall be completed and returned to the board in order for the program to be considered for recognition. The board may contract with investigative agencies, commissions or consultants to assist the board in obtaining information about an educational program in respiratory therapy. In entering such contracts the authority to recognize an educational program in respiratory therapy shall remain solely with the board.

- Sec. 12. K.S.A. 65-5910 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-5910. The secretary may grant a license, without examination, to any person who is duly licensed in holds a current, valid license as a dietitian issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state—if the standards that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure in such other state are not less than the standards as the secretary. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the secretary and pay any fees required for such licensure under this act.
- Sec. 13. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 65-6129 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-6129. (a) (1) Application for an emergency medical service provider certificate shall be made to the board. The board shall not grant an emergency medical service provider certificate unless the applicant meets the following requirements:
- (A) (i) Has successfully completed coursework required by the rules and regulations adopted by the board;
- (ii) has successfully completed coursework in another jurisdiction that is substantially equivalent to that required by the rules and regulations adopted by the board; or
- (iii) has provided evidence that such applicant holds a current and active certification with the national registry of emergency medical technicians, completed emergency medical technician training as a member of the army, navy, marine corps, air force, air or army national guard, coast guard or any branch of the military reserves of the United States that is substantially equivalent to that required by the rules and regulations adopted by the board, and such applicant separated from such military service with an honorable discharge;
- (B) (i) has passed the examination required by the rules and regulations adopted by the board; or
- (ii) has passed the certification or licensing examination in another jurisdiction that has been approved by the board; and
- (C) has paid an application fee required by the rules and regulations adopted by the board.
- (2) The board may grant an emergency medical service provider certificate to any applicant who meets the requirements under subsection

 (a)(1)(A)(iii) but was separated from such military service with a general discharge under honorable conditions.

- (b) (1) The emergency medical services board may require an original applicant for certification as an emergency medical services provider to be fingerprinted and submit to a state and national criminal history record check. The fingerprints shall be used to identify the applicant and to determine whether the applicant has a record of criminal history in this state or another jurisdiction. The emergency medical services board is authorized to submit the fingerprints to the Kansas bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation for a state and national criminal history record check. The emergency medical services board may use the information obtained from fingerprinting and the applicant's criminal history for purposes of verifying the identification of the applicant and making the official determination of the qualifications and fitness of the applicant to be issued or to maintain a certificate.
- (2) Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall assist the emergency medical services board in taking the fingerprints of applicants for license, registration, permit or certificate. The Kansas bureau of investigation shall release all records of adult convictions, nonconvictions or adjudications in this state and any other state or country to the emergency medical services board.
- (3) The emergency medical services board may fix and collect a fee as may be required by the board in an amount equal to the cost of fingerprinting and the criminal history record check. The emergency medical services board shall remit all moneys received from the fees established by this section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the emergency medical services criminal history and fingerprinting fund.
- (4) There is hereby created in the state treasury the emergency medical services criminal history and fingerprinting fund. All moneys credited to the fund shall be used to pay the Kansas bureau of investigation for the processing of fingerprints and criminal history record checks for the emergency medical services board. The fund shall be administered by the emergency medical services board. All expenditures from the fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the chairperson of the emergency medical services board or the chairperson's designee.
- (c) The board may grant a certificate to any person who holds a current, valid emergency medical service provider, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic certificate issued by the appropriate

 regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such certification as the board. An applicant for a certificate issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such certification.

- (d) The board shall not grant an initial advanced emergency medical technician certificate or paramedic certificate as a result of successful course completion in the state of Kansas, unless the applicant for such an initial certificate is certified as an emergency medical technician.
- (d)(e) An emergency medical service provider certificate shall expire on the date prescribed by the board. An emergency medical service provider certificate may be renewed for a period of two years upon payment of a fee as prescribed by rule and regulation of the board and upon presentation of satisfactory proof that the emergency medical service provider has successfully completed continuing education as prescribed by the board.
- (e)(f) All fees received pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the emergency medical services operating fund established by K.S.A. 65-6151, and amendments thereto.
- (f)(g) If a person who was previously certified as an emergency medical service provider applies for an emergency medical service provider's certificate after the certificate's expiration, the board may grant a certificate without the person completing an initial course of instruction or passing a certification examination if the person has completed education requirements and has paid a fee as specified in rules and regulations adopted by the board.
- (g)(h) The board shall adopt, through rules and regulations, a formal list of graduated sanctions for violations of article 61 of chapter 65 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, that shall specify the number and severity of violations for the imposition of each level of sanction.
- Sec. 14. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 65-6322 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-6322. (a) The board—may shall issue a license as a baccalaureate social worker to an individual who is currently registered, certified or licensed to practice social work in another jurisdiction, if—the board determines that:
- (1)—the standards for registration, certification or licensure to practice social work at the baccalaureate level in another jurisdiction are substantially the equivalent of the requirements in the social workers licensure act and rules and regulations of the board for licensure as a baccalaureate social worker; or

 (2) the applicant demonstrates compliance on forms set by the board, with the following standards as adopted by the board:

- (A) Registration, certification or licensure to practice social work at the bacealaureate level for at least 48 of the last 54 months immediately preceding the application, with at least the minimum professional experience as established by rules and regulations of the board;
- (B) the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; and
- (C) completion of a baccalaureate degree in social work from a regionally accredited university.
- (b) The board-may shall issue a license as a master social worker to an individual who is currently registered, certified or licensed to practice social work in another jurisdiction, if-the board determines that:
- (1)—the standards for registration, certification or licensure to practice social work at the master's level in another jurisdiction are substantially the equivalent of the requirements in the social workers licensure act and rules and regulations of the board for licensure as a master social worker; or
- (2) the applicant demonstrates compliance on forms set by the board, with the following standards as adopted by the board:
- (A) Registration, certification or licensure to practice social work at the master level for at least 48 of the last 54 months immediately-preceding the application with at least the minimum professional experience as established by rules and regulations of the board;
- (B) the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; and
- (C) completion of a master's degree in social work from a regionally accredited university.
- (c) Applicants for licensure The board shall issue a license as a specialist clinical social worker shall demonstrate:
 - (1) That the applicant meets the requirements of subsection (b);
- (2) that the applicant is to an individual who is currently licensed to practice social work at the clinical level in another state; and
- (3) competence to diagnose and treat mental disorders by meeting at least two of the following areas acceptable to the board:
 - (A) Passing a national clinical examination approved by the board;
- (B) three years of clinical practice with demonstrated experience in diagnosing or treating mental disorders; or
- (C) attestation from a professional licensed to diagnose and treatmental disorders in independent practice or licensed to practice medicine and surgery, stating that the applicant is competent to diagnose and treatmental disorders if the standards for licensure to practice social work at the clinical level in the other state are substantially the equivalent of the requirements in the social workers licensure act and rules and regulations

of the board for licensure as a specialist clinical social worker.

- (d) An applicant for a license under this section shall *submit any information required by the board and* pay an application fee established by the board under K.S.A. 65-6411, and amendments thereto, if required by the board.
- Sec. 15. K.S.A. 65-7203 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-7203. (a) The board, as hereinafter provided, shall administer the provisions of this act.
- (b) The board shall judge the qualifications of all applicants for examination and licensure, determine the applicants who successfully pass the examination, duly license such applicants and adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary to administer the provisions of this act.
- (c) The board shall issue a license as a naturopathic doctor to an individual who prior to the effective date of this act: (1) Graduated from a school of naturopathy that required four years of attendance and was at the time of such individual's graduation accredited or a candidate for accreditation by the board approved accrediting body; (2) passed an examination approved by the board covering appropriate naturopathic subjects including basic and clinical sciences; and (3) has not committed an act which would subject such person to having a license suspended or revoked under K.S.A. 65-7208, and amendments thereto.
- (d) The board shall grant a license to any person who holds a current, valid license as a naturopathic doctor issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the board. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such licensure.
- (e) The board shall keep a record of all proceedings under this act and a roster of all individuals licensed under this act. Only an individual may be licensed under this act.
- Sec. 16. K.S.A. 65-7503 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-7503. (a) On or after July 1, 2016, No person shall practice applied behavior analysis in this state unless they are such person is a:
 - (1) Licensed behavior-analysts analyst;
- (2) licensed assistant behavior—analysts analyst working under the supervision of a licensed behavior analyst;
- (3) an individual person who has a bachelor's or graduate degree and completed course work for licensure as a behavior analyst and is obtaining supervised field experience under a licensed behavior analyst pursuant to required supervised work experience for licensure at the behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst level; or
- (4) licensed—psychologists psychologist practicing within the rules and standards of practice for psychologists in the state of Kansas and

whose practice is commensurate with-their such person's level of training and experience.

- (b) The board shall grant a license to any person who holds a current, valid license to practice applied behavior analysis issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the board. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the board and pay any fees required for such licensure.
- (c) The licensing requirements of subsection (a) shall not apply to any person:
- (1) Licensed by the board who practices any component of applied behavior analysis within the scope of such person's license and scope of practice as required by law;
- (2) who provides services under the individuals with disabilities education act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.;
- (3) who provides services under § 504 of the federal rehabilitation act of 1973, 20 U.S.C. § 794;
- (4) is enrolled in a course of study at a recognized educational institution through which such person provides applied behavior analysis as part of supervised clinical experience;
- (5) who is an autism specialist, an intensive individual service provider or any other individual qualified to provide services under the home and community based services autism waiver administered by the Kansas department for aging and disability services;
- (6) who is an occupational therapist licensed by the state board of healing arts, acting within the scope of such person's license and scope of practice as required by law; or
- (7) who is a speech-language pathologist or audiologist licensed by the Kansas department for aging and disability services, acting within the scope of such person's license and scope of practice as required by law.
- (e)(d) The board shall not issue a license under this act until the license applicant provides proof that such applicant has met the certification requirements of a certifying entity.
- Sec. 17. K.S.A. 72-2157 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-2157. (a) The state board of education, in accordance with law, is authorized to adopt rules and regulations providing for the issuance, renewal, reinstatement and registration of licenses for teachers and other personnel in the state department of education and in schools and institutions under the general supervision of the state board of education.
- (b) In addition to other requirements and subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-2164, and amendments thereto, the rules and regulations of the state board of education shall include after May 1, 1986, the requirement that applicants for initial issuance of licenses to teach shall take and

 satisfactorily pass an examination prescribed by the state board.

- (c) The rules and regulations adopted by the state board pursuant to this section shall include provisions for the issuance of licenses for teachers and other personnel to persons who hold a current, valid license issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as the state board of education.
- (d) The privilege to teach at any level or in any field or subject, if such privilege is or has been granted when a license is issued, may not be withheld during the term for which the license is issued except as provided in K.S.A. 72-2155 or 72-2216, and amendments to such sections thereto.
- Sec. 18. K.S.A. 75-7b04 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-7b04. (a) Every person desiring to be licensed in Kansas as a private detective or private detective agency shall make application therefor to the attorney general. An application for a license under this act shall be on a form prescribed by the attorney general and accompanied by the required application fee. An application shall be verified and shall include:
 - (1) The full name and business address of the applicant;
 - (2) the name under which the applicant intends to do business;
- (3) a statement as to the general nature of the business in which the applicant intends to engage;
- (4) a statement as to the classification or classifications under which the applicant desires to be qualified;
- (5) if the applicant is an organization, the full name and residence address of each of its partners, officers, directors or associates;
- (6) two photographs of the applicant taken within 30 days before the date of application, of a type prescribed by the attorney general, and two classifiable sets of the applicant's fingerprints one of which shall be submitted to the federal bureau of investigation for a fingerprint check for any criminal history of the applicant;
 - (7) a statement of the applicant's employment history; and
- (8) such other information, evidence, statements or documents as may be required by the attorney general.
- (b) The application shall be accompanied by a certificate of reference signed by five or more reputable persons who have known the applicant for a period of at least 5 years. The certificate of reference shall be verified and acknowledged by such persons before an officer authorized to take oaths and acknowledgment of deeds.

Each person signing the certificate of reference shall subscribe and affirm as true, under the penalties of perjury, that:

(1) The person has known the applicant personally for a period of at least five years prior to the filing of the application. The attorney general may lessen such period if the applicant has been discharged honorably

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 from the military service of the United States within the six-year period immediately preceding the date the application is submitted;

- (2) the person has read such application and believes each of the statements made therein to be true;
- (3) the applicant is honest, of good character and competent and not related or connected by blood or marriage to such person.
- (c) Before an application for a license may be granted, the applicant or, if the applicant is an organization, all of the officers, directors, partners or associates shall:
 - (1) Be at least 21 years of age;
 - (2) be a citizen of the United States;
 - (3) be of good moral character; and
- (4) comply with such other qualifications as the attorney general adopts by rules and regulations.
- (d) In accordance with the summary proceedings provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act, the attorney general may deny a license if the applicant has:
- (1) Committed any act which, if committed by a licensee, would be grounds for the suspension or revocation of a license under this act;
 - (2) committed any act constituting dishonesty or fraud;
- (3) a bad moral character or a bad reputation for truth, honesty, and integrity;
- (4) been convicted of a felony or, within 10 years immediately prior to the date of application, been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, vehicular homicide, assault, battery, assault of a law enforcement officer, misdemeanor battery against a law enforcement officer, criminal restraint, sexual battery, endangering a child, intimidation of a witness or victim or illegally using, carrying, or possessing a dangerous weapon;
- (5) been refused a license under this act or had a license suspended or revoked in this state or in any other jurisdiction or had a license censured, limited or conditioned two or more times in this state or in any other jurisdiction;
- (6) been an officer, director, partner or associate of any person who has been refused a license under this act or whose license has been suspended or revoked in this state or in any other jurisdiction or had a license censured, limited or conditioned two or more times in this state or in any other jurisdiction;
- (7) while unlicensed, committed or aided and abetted the commission of any act for which a license is required by this act; or
 - (8) knowingly made any false statement in the application.
- (e) The attorney general may charge a fee for initial application forms and materials in an amount fixed by the attorney general pursuant to

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1 K.S.A. 75-7b22, and amendments thereto. Such fee shall be credited 2 against the application fee of any person who subsequently submits an 3 application.

- (f) The attorney general shall grant a license to any person who holds a current, valid license as a private detective issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of another state that has substantially equivalent requirements for such licensure as this state. An applicant for a license issued pursuant to this section shall submit any information required by the attorney general and pay any fees required for such licensure.
- 11 Sec. 19. K.S.A. 1-302, 65-1152, 65-1505, 65-1663, 65-2833, 65-12 28a04, 65-28b03, 65-2906, 65-4203, 65-5406, 65-5506, 65-5910, 65-7203, 13 65-7503, 72-2157 and 75-7b04 and K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 65-6129 and 65-14 6322 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 20. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

SENATE BILL No. 497

By Committee on Judiciary

2-11

AN ACT concerning human trafficking; relating to the attorney general; authorizing the attorney general to coordinate training regarding a multidisciplinary team approach to intervention for law enforcement agencies; requiring training on human trafficking awareness and identification for certain child welfare agencies, juvenile justice agencies, mental health professionals and school personnel; amending K.S.A. 75-756 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 75-756 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-756. (a) It is hereby declared to be the public policy of this state that law enforcement agencies shall implement a coordinated multidisciplinary team approach to intervention in reports involving alleged human trafficking, aggravated human trafficking or commercial sexual exploitation of a child.

- (b) The attorney general, in consultation with other appropriate state agencies, is authorized to coordinate training regarding a coordinated multidisciplinary team approach to intervention in reports involving alleged human trafficking, aggravated human trafficking or commercial sexual exploitation of a child for law enforcement agencies throughout Kansas.
- (c) Each fiscal year, the following persons shall be required to complete one hour of training on human trafficking awareness and identification that has been developed or approved by the attorney general:
- (1) All employees or contractors of the Kansas department for children and families, the Kansas department for aging and disability services or the juvenile services division of the department of corrections who, in the course of employment, have regular contact with members of the general public;
- (2) all licensed psychologists, masters level psychologists, clinical psychotherapists, social workers, marriage and family therapists, clinical marriage and family therapists, behavioral analysts, assistant behavioral analysts, professional counselors and clinical professional counselors and all registered alcohol and drug abuse counselors;
 - (3) all teachers, school administrators and employees of educational

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institutions; and 1

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- (4) all persons licensed by the secretary of health and environment to provide child care services and the employees of such licensees. Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-756 is hereby repealed.
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- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 5 publication in the statute book. 6

Substitute for SENATE BILL No. 34

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning administrative rules and regulations; requiring the review of rules and regulations every five years; requirements for adoption of rules and regulations; providing an alternative procedure for revocation of certain rules and regulations; amending K.S.A. 77-426 and 77-436 and repealing the existing sections.

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

New Section 1. (a) All rules and regulations adopted by state agencies under the provisions of K.S.A. 77-415 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall be reviewed every five years in accordance with this section.

- (b) (1) Each state agency that has adopted rules and regulations shall submit a report to the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations on or before July 15 of the year that corresponds to such state agency under paragraph (2). Such report shall contain a summary of such state agency's review and evaluation of rules and regulations adopted by such state agency, including a statement for each rule and regulation as to whether such rule and regulation is necessary for the implementation and administration of state law or may be revoked pursuant to K.S.A. 77-426(d), and amendments thereto.
- (2) Each state agency that has adopted rules and regulations shall submit a report as required under paragraph (1) in the years that correspond to such state agency as follows:
- (A) For 2023 and every fifth year thereafter, the following state 24 agencies:
 - (i) Department of administration;
 - (ii) municipal accounting board;
 - (iii) state treasurer;
 - (iv) Kansas department of agriculture;
- (v) Kansas department of agriculture—division of water resources; 29
- (vi) state election board; 30
 - (vii) secretary of state;
- (viii) livestock brand commissioner; 32
- 33 (ix) Kansas department of agriculture—division of animal health;
 - (x) Kansas bureau of investigation;
- (xi) Kansas department of agriculture—division of conservation; 35
- (xii) agricultural labor relations board; 36

- 1 (xiii) alcoholic beverage control board of review;
- 2 (xiv) Kansas department of revenue—division of alcoholic beverage 3 control;
- 4 (xv) athletic commission;
 - (xvi) attorney general;

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- 6 (xvii) office of the state bank commissioner;
- 7 (xviii) employee award board;
- 8 (xix) governmental ethics commission;
- 9 (xx) crime victims compensation board;
- 10 (xxi) Kansas human rights commission;
- 11 (xxii) state fire marshal; and
 - (xxiii) Kansas department of wildlife and parks;
- 13 (B) for 2024 and every fifth year thereafter, the following state 14 agencies:
- 15 (i) Kansas wheat commission;
 - (ii) Kansas state grain inspection department;
- 17 (iii) Kansas department for aging and disability services;
- 18 (iv) Kansas energy office;
- (v) department of health and environment;
- 20 (vi) Kansas department for children and families;
- 21 (vii) park and resources authority;
- 22 (viii) state salvage board;
 - (ix) Kansas department of transportation;
- 24 (x) Kansas highway patrol;
- 25 (xi) savings and loan department;
- 26 (xii) Kansas turnpike authority:
- 27 (xiii) insurance department;
- 28 (xiv) food service and lodging board;
- 29 (xv) commission on alcoholism;
- 30 (xvi) corrections ombudsman board:
- 31 (xvii) department of corrections;
- 32 (xviii) Kansas prisoner review board;
- 33 (xix) executive council;
 - (xx) mined-land conservation and reclamation (KDHE);
- 35 (xxi) department of labor—employment security board of review;
- 36 (xxii) department of labor;
- 37 (xxiii) department of labor—division of employment; and
- 38 (xxiv) department of labor—division of workers compensation;
- 39 (C) for 2025 and every fifth year thereafter, the following state 40 agencies:
- 41 (i) State records board;
- 42 (ii) state library;
- 43 (iii) board for the registration and examination of landscape

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(xvi) state board of healing arts;

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1 architects; 2 (iv) adjutant general's department; 3 (v) state board of nursing; 4 (vi) Kansas board of barbering: 5 (vii) state board of mortuary arts; 6 (viii) board of engineering examiners; 7 (ix) board of examiners in optometry; 8 (x) state board of technical professions; 9 (xi) Kansas board of examiners in fitting and dispensing of hearing 10 instruments; 11 (xii) state board of pharmacy; (xiii) Kansas state board of cosmetology; 12 (xiv) state board of veterinary examiners; 13 14 (xv) Kansas dental board; (xvi) board of examiners of psychologists; 15 16 (xvii) registration and examining board for architects; 17 (xviii) board of accountancy; (xix) state bank commissioner—consumer and mortgage lending 18 19 division: 20 (xx) board of basic science examiners; 21 (xxi) Kansas public employees retirement system; 22 (xxii) office of the securities commissioner; and 23 (xxiii) Kansas corporation commission: (D) for 2026 and every fifth year thereafter, the following state 24 25 agencies: 26 (i) Public employee relations board; (ii) abstracters' board of examiners: 27 28 (iii) Kansas real estate commission; 29 (iv) education commission; 30 (v) state board of regents; 31 (vi) school budget review board; 32 (vii) school retirement board: 33 (viii) state department of education; 34 (ix) Kansas department of revenue; 35 (x) Kansas department of revenue—division of property valuation; 36 (xi) state board of tax appeals; 37 (xii) crop improvement association; 38 (xiii) Kansas commission on veterans' affairs office; 39 (xiv) Kansas water office: 40 (xv) Kansas department of agriculture—division of weights and 41 measures:

- 1 (xviii) behavioral sciences regulatory board;
 - (xix) state bank commissioner and savings and loan commissioner—joint regulations;
 - (xx) consumer credit commissioner, credit union administrator, savings and loan commissioner and bank commissioner—joint regulations;
 - (xxi) state board of indigents' defense services;
 - (xxii) Kansas commission on peace officers' standards and training; and
 - (xxiii) law enforcement training center; and
- 10 (E) for 2027 and every fifth year thereafter, the following state 11 agencies:
 - (i) Kansas state employees health care commission;
- 13 (ii) emergency medical services board:
 - (iii) department of commerce;
- 15 (iv) Kansas lottery;

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- (v) Kansas racing and gaming commission;
- 17 (vi) Kansas department of wildlife and parks;
 - (vii) Kansas state fair board;
- 19 (viii) real estate appraisal board;
- 20 (ix) state historical society;
- 21 (x) health care data governing board;
- 22 (xi) state department of credit unions;
 - (xii) pooled money investment board;
- 24 (xiii) department of corrections—division of juvenile services;
- 25 (xiv) state child death review board;
- 26 (xv) Kansas agricultural remediation board:
 - (xvi) unmarked burial sites preservation board;
- 28 (xvii) Kansas housing resources corporation;
- 29 (xviii) department of commerce— Kansas athletic commission;
- 30 (xix) department of health and environment—division of health care finance;
 - (xx) home inspectors registration board;
- 33 (xxi) committee on surety bonds and insurance;
 - (xxii) 911 coordinating council; and
- 35 (xxiii) office of administrative hearings.
 - (c) For any state agency not listed in subsection (b)(2) that adopts rules and regulations that become effective on or after July 1, 2022, such state agency shall submit a report to the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations in accordance with subsection (b)(1) on or before July 15 of the fifth year after such rules and regulations become effective and every fifth year thereafter.
- 42 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a rule and regulation 43 may be adopted or maintained by a state agency only if such rule and

regulation serves an identifiable public purpose to support state law and may not be broader than is necessary to meet such public purpose.

- (e) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the rules and regulations filing act, K.S.A. 77-415 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 77-426 is hereby amended to read as follows: 77-426. (a) All rules and regulations—which that are in force and effect at the time this act takes effect shall continue in full force and effect and may be amended, revived or revoked as provided by law. All new rules and regulations and all amendments, revivals or revocations of rules and regulations, other than temporary regulations, adopted in any year shall be filed with the secretary of state and shall become effective 15 days following its publication in the Kansas register or such later date as clearly expressed in the body of such rule and regulation.
- (b) Except for rules and regulations revoked pursuant to subsection (d), as soon as possible after the filing of any rules and regulations by a state agency, the secretary of state shall submit to the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations such number of copies as may be requested by the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations.
- (c) At any time prior to adjournment sine die of the regular session of the legislature, the legislature may adopt a concurrent resolution expressing the concern of the legislature with any permanent or temporary rule and regulation—which that is in force and effect and on file in the office of the secretary of state and any permanent rule and regulation filed in the office of the secretary of state during the preceding year and requesting the revocation of any such rule and regulation or the amendment of any such rule and regulation in the manner specified in such resolution.
- (d) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of the rules and regulations filing act, any rule and regulation may be revoked pursuant to this subsection if such rule and regulation is identified by a state agency in the report submitted to the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations pursuant to section 1, and amendments thereto, as one that may be revoked pursuant to this subsection. A state agency may revoke a rule and regulation by filing a notice of such revocation with the secretary of state and causing such notice to be published in the Kansas register. Such notice of revocation shall not contain any new rules and regulations or any amendments to any rules and regulations.
- (2) Prior to filing the notice of revocation with the secretary, the state agency shall:
- (A) Upon the written request of a member of the public, hold a public hearing on the proposed notice of revocation;
- (B) submit the notice of revocation to the attorney general for review and approval in accordance with K.S.A. 77-420(d), and amendments

thereto; and

- (C) submit the notice of revocation to the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations and, upon request by the chairperson of such committee, appear before such committee at a hearing on such notice
- (3) The revocation of a rule and regulation under this subsection shall be effective 15 days following the date that the notice of such revocation is published in the Kansas register.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 77-436 is hereby amended to read as follows: 77-436. (a) There is hereby established a joint committee on administrative rules and regulations consisting of five senators and seven members of the house of representatives. The five senator members shall be appointed as follows: Three by the committee on organization, calendar and rules and two by the minority leader of the senate. The seven representative members shall be appointed as follows: Four by the speaker of the house of representatives and three by the minority leader of the house of representatives. The committee on organization, calendar and rules shall designate a senator member to be chairperson or vice-chairperson of the joint committee as provided in this section. The speaker of the house of representatives shall designate a representative member to be chairperson or vice-chairperson of the joint committee as provided in this section. The minority leader of the senate shall designate a senator member to be the ranking minority member of the joint committee as provided in this section. The minority leader of the house of representatives shall designate a representative member to be the ranking minority member of the joint committee as provided in this section.
- (b) A quorum of the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations shall be seven. All actions of the committee may be taken by a majority of those present when there is a quorum. In odd-numbered years the chairperson and the ranking minority member of the joint committee shall be the designated members of the house of representatives from the convening of the regular session in that year until the convening of the regular session in the next ensuing year. In even-numbered years the chairperson and the ranking minority member of the joint committee shall be the designated members of the senate from the convening of the regular session of that year until the convening of the regular session of the next ensuing year. The vice-chairperson shall exercise all of the powers of the chairperson in the absence of the chairperson.
- (c) Except for rules and regulations revoked pursuant to K.S.A. 77-426(d), and amendments thereto, all proposed rules and regulations shall be reviewed by the joint committee on administrative rules and regulations during the public comment period required by K.S.A. 77-421, and amendments thereto. The committee may introduce such legislation as it

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deems necessary in performing its functions of reviewing administrative rules and regulations.

- (d) The committee shall issue a report to the legislature following each meeting making comments and recommendations and indicating concerns about any proposed rule and regulation. Such report shall be made available to each agency that had proposed rules and regulations reviewed at such meeting during the agency's public comment period for such proposed rules and regulations required by K.S.A. 77-421, and amendments thereto. If having a final report completed by the public hearing required by K.S.A. 77-421, and amendments thereto, is impractical, a preliminary report shall be made available to the agency containing the committee's comments. The preliminary report shall be incorporated into the final report and made available to each agency.
- (e) Except for rules and regulations revoked pursuant to K.S.A. 77-426(d), and amendments thereto, all rules and regulations filed each year in the office of secretary of state shall be subject to review by the joint committee. The committee may introduce such legislation as it deems necessary in performing its functions of reviewing administrative rules and regulations.
- (f) The joint committee shall meet on call of the chairperson as authorized by the legislative coordinating council. All such meetings shall be held in Topeka, unless authorized to be held in a different place by the legislative coordinating council. Members of the joint committee shall receive compensation, travel expenses and subsistence expenses or allowances as provided in K.S.A. 75-3212, and amendments thereto, when attending meetings of such committee authorized by the legislative coordinating council.
- (g) Amounts paid under authority of this section shall be paid from appropriations for legislative expense and vouchers therefor shall be prepared by the director of legislative administrative services and approved by the chairperson or vice-chairperson of the legislative coordinating council.
- 33 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 77-426 and 77-436 are hereby repealed.
 - Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.