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Kansas Races – Results and What Races to Expect in the General Election

While the constitutional amendment outcome received a lot of attention, there is more work to be done finalizing election results. We wanted to provide you with some information regarding the state elections and what to expect as we head into November.

At this point, 65 seats, or just over half of the total 125 seats in the Kansas Legislature, are now determined based on the lack of opposition in the upcoming general elections. See the summary below:

No Elections in the Primary or General Election: (Note: * indicates new incoming legislator)

- House District 2 Ken Collins (R-Mulberry)
- House District 3 Chuck Smith (R-Pittsburg)
- House District 4 Trevor Jacobs (R-Fort Scott)
- *House District 7 Dan Goddard (R-Parsons)
- House District 10 Christina Haswood (D-Lawrence)
- House District 12 Doug Blex (R-Independence)
- House District 13 Joe Newland (R-Neodesha)
- House District 21 Jerry Stogsdill (D-Overland Park)
- House District 23 Susan Ruiz (D-Shawnee)
- House District 24 Jarrod Ousley (D-Merriam)
- House District 25 Rui Xu (D-Westwood)
- House District 32 Pam Curtis (D-Kansas City)
- House District 38 Timothy Johnson (R-Basehor)
- House District 42 Lance Neeley (R-Tonganoxie)
- House District 44 Barbara Ballard (D-Lawrence)
- House District 45 Mike Amyx (D-Lawrence)
- House District 46 Dennis Highberger (D-Lawrence)
- House District 47 Ron Ellis (R-Meriden)
- House District 50 Fred Patton (R-Topeka)
- *House District 51 Kenny Titus (R-Wamego)
- House District 56 Virgil Weigel (D-Topeka)
- House District 57 John Alcala (D-Topeka)
- House District 58 Vic Miller (D-Topeka)

- House District 61 Francis Awerkamp (R-St. Marys)
- House District 62 Randy Garber (R-Sabetha)
- House District 63 John Eplee (R-Atchison)
- *House District 65 Jeff Underhill (R-Junction City)
- House District 66 Sydney Carlin (D-Manhattan)
- House District 71 Steven Howe (R-Salina)
- House District 72 Avery Anderson (R-Newton)
- House District 73 Les Mason (R-McPherson)
- House District 74 Stephen Owens (R-Hesston)
- House District 75 Will Carpenter (R-El Dorado)
- House District 77 Kristey Williams (R-Augusta)
- House District 80 Bill Rhiley (R-Wellington)
- House District 81 Blake Carpenter (R-Wichita)
- House District 83 Henry Helgerson (D-Wichita)
- *House District 84 Ford Carr (D-Wichita)
- House District 89 KC Ohaebosim (D-Wichita)
- *House District 90 Carl Maughan (R-Colwich)
- House District 92 John Carmichael (D-Wichita)
- House District 93 Brian Bergkamp (R-Wichita)
- House District 96 Tom Kessler (R-Wichita)
- House District 97 Nick Hoheisel (R-Wichita)
- House District 98 Cyndi Howerton (R-Wichita)
- House District 99 Susan Humphries (R-Wichita)
- *House District 103 Angela Martinez (D-Wichita)
- House District 106 Lisa Moser (R-Wheaton)
- House District 108 Brandon Woodard (D-Lenexa)
- House District 110 Ken Rahjes (R-Agra)
- House District 112 Tory Blew (R-Great Bend)
- House District 114 Michael Murphy (R-Sylvia)
- House District 120 Adam Smith (R-Weskan)
- *House District 124 David Younger (R-Ulysses)
- House District 125 Shannon Francis (R-Liberal)

Summary of the Primary Elections for those without a General Election: (Note: * indicates new incoming legislator)

- *House District 5 Mark Samsel (R-Wellsville) was defeated by challenger Carrie Barth (R-Baldwin City)
- *House District 70 John Barker (R-Abilene) was defeated by challenger Scott Hill (R-Abilene)
- House District 101 Incumbent Joe Siewert (R-Pretty Prairie) defeated challenger Jamey Lee Blubaugh (R-Goddard)
- House District 107 Incumbent Susan Concannon (R-Beloit) defeated challenger Gerald Johnson (R-Glasco

- House District 109 Incumbent Troy Waymaster (R-Bunker Hill) defeated challenger Noah Erichsen (R-Ellsworth)
- *House District 115 Gary White (R-Ashland) defeated Joseph Nuci Jr (R-Dodge City)
- House District 118 Two incumbents faced off following re-districting changes Jim Minnix (R-Scott City) defeated Tatum Lee (R-Ness City)
- *House District 119 Brad Ralph (R-Dodge City) was defeated by challenger Jason Goetz (R-Garden City)
- House District 122 Incumbent Bill Clifford (R-Garden City) defeated challenger Corrine Wray (R-Larned)
- *House District 123 John Wheeler (R-Garden City) was defeated by challenger Bob Lewis (R-Garden City)

With so much decided, many may wonder what is exactly on the ballot for the general elections? All of the congressional seats, the statewide offices, and the Kansas House, with one State Senate race up for election. Additionally, two constitutional amendments, one regarding the legislature's oversight of the rules and regulations process, and another related to the elections of sheriffs in Kansas.

Below are the breakdowns:

In statewide races:

- Incumbent Governor/Lt. Governor Laura Kelly/David Toland will face Derek Schmidt/Katie Sawyer on the republican side, in addition to the likely independent ticket Dennis Pyle/Kathleen Garrison.
- Kansas Attorney General candidate Kris Kobach will go up against Chris Mann.
- Kansas State Treasurer Lynn Rogers will face either Steven Johnson or Caryn Tyson, depending on the outcome of that still very close race.
- Insurance Commissioner Vicki Schmidt will face challenger Kiel Corkran.

One of the state senate races will have a special general election due to the death of former Senator Bud Estes (R-Dodge City). That race will have Ron Ryckman, Sr. (R-Meade), against challenger Jose Lara (D-Liberal).

61 of the 125 total seats in the Kansas Legislature House of Representatives will see a competitive race in the general election cycle.

Summary of those that only have a General Election: (Note: * indicates that seat is open and will see a new incumbent no matter who wins.)

- House District 1 Michael Houser (R-Columbus) will face challenger Paul Rogers (D-Columbus)
- House District 6 Samantha Poetter (R-Paola) will face challenger Nina Fricke (D-Bucyrus)
- House District 8 Chris Croft (R-Overland Park) will face challenger Pam Sherunuk (D-Overland Park)

- *House District 9 Fred Gardner (R-Garnett) will face Alana Cloutier (D-Humboldt)
- *House District 15 Matt Bingesser (R-Olathe) will face Allison Hougland (D-Olathe)
- House District 16 Linda Featherston (D-Overland Park) will face challenger Ed Roitz (R-Overland Park)
- House District 18 Cindy Neighbor (D-Shawnee) will face again challenger Cathy Gordon (R-Shawnee)
- House District 20 Mari-Lynn Poskin (D-Leawood) will face challenger Carrie Rahfaldt (R-Leawood)
- House District 22 Lindsay Vaughn (D-Overland Park) will face challenger Chris Colburn (R-Overland Park)
- House District 26 Adam Thomas (R-Olathe) will face challenger Cheron Tiffany (D-Olathe)
- House District 27 Sean Tarwater (R-Stilwell) will face challenger Christi Pribula (D-Overland Park)
- House District 28 Carl Turner (R-Leawood) will face challenger Ace Allen (D-Overland Park)
- House District 29 Heather Meyer (D-Overland Park) will face challenger David Soffer (R-Overland Park)
- House District 31 Louis Ruiz (D-Kansas City) will face challenger Dennis Grindel (R-Kansas City)
- House District 34 Valendia Winn (D-Kansas City) will face challenger Pepe Cabrera (R-Kansas City)
- House District 39 Owen Donohoe (R-Shawnee) will face challenger Vanessa Vaughn West (D-Shawnee)
- *House District 40 David Buehler (R-Lansing) will face Martha Allen (D-Lansing)
- House District 41 Pat Proctor (R-Leavenworth) will face challenger Harry Schwarz (D-Leavenworth)
- House District 43 Bill Sutton (R-Gardner) will face challenger Keith Davenport (D-Gardner)
- House District 48 Dan Osman (D-Overland Park) will face challenger Terry Frederick (R-Overland Park)
- *House District 49 Kristin Clark (R-Olathe) will face Brad Boyd (D-Olathe)
- House District 54 Ken Corbet (R-Topeka) will face challenger Lyndon Johnson (D-Topeka)
- House District 60 Mark Schreiber (R-Emporia) will face challenger Mic McGuire (D-Emporia)
- House District 67 Mike Dodson (R-Manhattan) will face challenger Kim Zito (D-Manhattan)
- House District 82 Leah Howell (R-Derby) will face challenger Misti Hobbs (D-Derby)
- House District 85 Patrick Penn (R-Wichita) will face challenger Jalon Britton (D-Bel Aire)
- *House District 86 Silas Miller (D-Wichita) will face Rick Lindsey (R-Wichita)
- House District 87 Susan Estes (R-Wichita) will face challenger Chris Strong (D-Wichita)
- House District 88 Chuck Schmidt (D-Wichita) will face challenger Sandy Pickert (R-Wichita)

- House District 91 Emil Bergquist (R-Park City) will face challenger Brooke Chong (D-Wichita)
- House District 94 Leo Delperdang (R-Wichita) will face challenger Robert Howes (D-Wichita)
- House District 95 Tom Sawyer (D-Wichita) will face challenger Christoperh Parisho (R-Wichita)
- House District 100 Dan Hawkins (R-Wichita) will face challenger Mike McCorkle (D-Wichita)
- House District 102 Jason Probst (D-Hutchinson) will face challenger John Whitesel (R-Hutchinson)
- House District 104 Paul Waggoner (R-Hutchinson) will face challenger Garth Strand (D-Buhler)
- House District 105 Brenda Landwehr (R-Wichita) will face challenger Jaelynn Abegg (D-Wichita)
- House District 111 Barb Wasinger (R-Hays) will face challenger Ed Hammond (D-Hays)
- House District 116 Kyle Hoffman (R-Coldwater) will face challenger Kirsten Lee Barger (D-Pratt)
- House District 121 John Resman (R-Olathe) will face challenger Mel Pinick (D-Olathe)

Summary of those seats that had both a Primary and General Election: (Note: * indicates that seat is open and will see a new incumbent no matter who wins)

- *House District 11 Ron Bryce (R-Coffeyville) will face Gregory Wilkinson (D-Coffeyville)
- House District 14 Incumbent Charlotte Esau (R-Olathe) will go up against the winner of the Democratic Primary Dennis Miller
- House District 17 Jo Ella Hoye (D-Lenexa) will face challenger Emily Carpenter (R-Lenexa), who beat Max Langston (D-Lenexa) in the primary
- House District 19 Stephanie Clayton (D-Overland Park) will face Nicholas Reddell (R-Prairie Village), who beat Mark Tallent (R-Overland Park in the primary
- *House District 30 Laura Williams (R-Lenexa) will face Courtney Eiterich (D-Lenexa), who beat Scott Perkins (D-Lenexa) in the primary
- *House District 33 Bill Hutton (D-Kansas City), who in a three-way primary, will run against Mike Thompson (R-Bonner Springs), who beat Clifton Boje (R-Bonner Springs) in the primary
- *House District 35 Marvin Robinson II (D-Kansas City), who beat Nelson Gabriel (D-Kansas City) in the primary, will now face Sam Stillwell (R-Kansas City), who beat John Koerner (R-Kansas City) in the primary
- *House District 36 Lynn Melton (D-Kansas City), who beat JoAnne Gilstrap (D-Kansas City) in the primary, will now face Kevin Bruan (R-Kansas City), who beat Mark David Snelson (R-Kansas City) in the primary
- *House District 37 Melissa Oropeza (D-Kansas City), who won in a three-way primary, will now face Diana Whittington (R-Kansas City)
- House District 52 Jesse Borjon (R-Topeka) will face challenger Derik Flerlage (D-Topeka)
 who beat Max Halley (D-Topeka) in the primary

- *House District 53 Kirk Haskins (D-Topeka) who beat Joe Cheray (D-Topeka) in the primary, will now face Bruce Williamson (R-Topeka) who beat Connie Burns (R-Topeka) in the primary
- *House District 55 Tobias Schlingensiepen (D-Topeka) who beat Josh Luttrell (D-Topeka) in the primary, will now face Todd Staerkel (R-Topeka)
- *House District 59 Darrel McCune (D-Ottawa) will face Rebecca Schmoe (R-Ottawa) who beat Louis Reed (R-Pomona) in the primary
- *House District 64 Lewis Bloom (R-Clay Center) won in a three-way primary and will now face Patricia Smetana (D-Wakefield)
- *House District 68 Nate Bulter (R-Junction City) who beat John Seibel (R-Burdick) in the primary, will now face Michael Seymour II (D-Council Grove).
- House District 69 Clarke Sanders (R-Salina) will face challenger Sarah Crew (D-Salina) who beat Molly Molina (D-Salina) in the primary
- House District 76 Incumbent Eric Smith (R-Burlington) after winning the primary against Robert Harmon (R-Osage City), will now face challenger Chuck Torres (D-Olpe)
- *House District 78 Robyn Essex (R-Olathe) who beat Brian Herr (R-Oathe) in the primary will now go up against Michael Shimeall (D-Olathe)
- *House District 79 Webster Roth (R-Winfield) who challenged and won against current representative Cheryl Helmer (R-Mulvane), will now go up against Kris Trimmer (D-Winfield) who beat Cristel Heffron Love (D-Peck) in the primary
- House District 113 Incumbent Brett Fairchild (R-St. John) who defeated Bob Rein (R-Larned) in the primary, will now face Jo Ann Roth (D-Ellinwood)
- *House District 117 Adam Turk (R-Shawnee) defeated Bob Parsons (R-Lawrence) in the primary and will now face Courtney Tripp (D-De Soto)