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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Government Efficiency
From: Renae Jefferies, Assistant Revisor
Date: February 16, 2012
Subject: HB 2677 - Amends K.S.A. 19-430.

K.S.A. 19-430 is amended to strike out a provision that a county appraiser in a county with a population over 25,000 devote such appraiser's full-time to the duties of such appraiser's office. County appraisers in counties with a population under 25,000 could be appointed full or part-time. By striking this language, it would appear that county appraisers in large and small counties would be treated the same.

Should the bill be enacted, it would take affect upon publication in the statute book.

19-430. County appraiser; appointment, term and qualifications; vacancies. (a) On July 1, 1993, and on July 1 of each fourth year thereafter, the board of county commissioners of each county shall by resolution appoint a county appraiser for such county who shall serve for a term of four years and until a successor is appointed. County appraisers appointed in counties having a population of more than 25,000 shall devote full time to the duties of such office but county appraisers appointed in counties having a population of 25,000 or less may be appointed either as a full-time or a part-time county appraiser as prescribed in the resolution providing for such appointment. No person shall be appointed or reappointed to or serve as county appraiser in any county under the provisions of this act unless such person shall have at least three years of mass appraisal experience and be qualified by the director of property valuation as an eligible Kansas appraiser under the provisions of this act. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of county appraiser the board of county commissioners shall appoint an eligible Kansas appraiser to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term and until a successor is appointed. The person holding the office of county or district appraiser or performing the duties thereof on the effective date of this act shall continue to hold such office and perform such duties until a county appraiser is appointed under the provisions of this act. No person shall be appointed to the office of county or district appraiser or to fill a vacancy therein unless such person is currently: (1) A certified general real property appraiser pursuant to article 41 of chapter 58 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated and

amendments thereto; (2) a registered mass appraiser pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue; or (3) holding a valid residential evaluation specialist or certified assessment evaluation designation from the International Association of Assessing Officers. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision, any person who holds the office of county or district appraiser on the effective date of this act and who is not eligible for reappointment pursuant to this section shall be eligible for reappointment to such office or appointment as a county or district appraiser in another county for a term expiring on July 1, 1999, and if any such person qualifies for an original appointment or reappointment prior to July 1, 1999, such person may be reappointed for a full term, and any other person who has at least three years of mass appraisal experience and is qualified by the director of property valuation as an eligible Kansas appraiser shall be eligible for appointment to such office for a term expiring on July 1, 1999, and if any such person qualifies for an original appointment prior to July 1, 1999, such person may be reappointed for a full term.

(b) The secretary of revenue shall adopt rules and regulations prior to October 1, 1997, necessary to establish qualifications for the designation of a registered mass appraiser.

History: L. 1974, ch. 112, § 1; L. 1990, ch. 90, § 1; L. 1992, ch. 282, § 1; L. 1994, ch. 241, § 2; L. 1997, ch. 126, § 33; July 1.