A PROPOSITION to amend sections 5, 6 and 9 of article 1 of the
constitution of the state of Kansas, relating to the update of the
language in the executive article.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of
the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate and two-
thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House
of Representatives concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of
the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state
for their approval or rejection: Sections 5, 6 and 9 of article 1 of the
constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

"§ 5. Governor's duties for legislature; messages; special
sessions; adjournment. The governor may, on extraordinary
occasions, call the legislature into special session by proclamation;
and shall call the legislature into special session, upon petition
signed by at least two-thirds 2/3 of the members elected to each
house. At every session of the legislature the governor shall
communicate in writing information in reference to the condition
of the state, and recommend such measures as he the governor
deems expedient. In case of disagreement between the two houses
in respect of the time of adjournment, the governor may adjourn
the legislature to such time as he the governor deems proper, not
beyond its next regular session."

"§ 6. Reorganization of state agencies of executive branch.
(a) For the purpose of transferring, abolishing, consolidating or
coordinating the whole or any part of any state agency, or the
functions thereof, within the executive branch of state government,
when the governor considers the same necessary for efficient
administration, he the governor may issue one or more executive
reorganization orders, each bearing an identifying number, and
transmit the same to the legislature within the first thirty 30
calendar days of any regular session. Agencies and functions of the
legislative and judicial branches, and constitutionally delegated
functions of state officers and state boards shall be exempt from
executive reorganization orders.
(b) The governor shall transmit each executive reorganization order to both houses of the legislature on the same day, and each such order shall be accompanied by a governor's message, which shall specify with respect to each abolition of a function included in the order, the statutory authority for the exercise of the function. Every executive reorganization order shall provide for the transfer or other disposition of the records, property and personnel affected by the order. Every executive reorganization order shall provide for all necessary transfers of unexpended balances of appropriations of agencies affected by such order, and such changes in responsibility for handling of special funds as may be necessary to accomplish the purpose of such order. Transferred balances of appropriations may be used only for the purposes for which the appropriation was originally made.

(c) Each executive reorganization order transmitted to the legislature as provided in this section shall take effect and have the force of general law on the July 1 following its transmittal to the legislature, unless within sixty 60 calendar days and before the adjournment of the legislative session either the senate or the house of representatives adopts by a majority vote of the members elected thereto a resolution disapproving such executive reorganization order. Under the provisions of an executive reorganization order a portion of the order may be effective at a time later than the date on which the order is otherwise effective.

(d) An executive reorganization order which that is effective shall be published as and with the acts of the legislature and the statutes of the state. Any executive reorganization order which that is or is to become effective may be amended or repealed as statutes of the state are amended or repealed.

"§ 9. State seal and commissions. There shall be a seal of the state, which shall be kept by the governor, and used by him the governor officially, and which shall be the great seal of Kansas. All commissions shall be issued in the name of the state of Kansas; and shall be signed by the governor, countersigned by the secretary of state, and sealed with the great seal."

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

"Explanatory statement. This amendment would update language in article 1 of the constitution of the state of Kansas, the executive article, by deleting all masculine pronouns from the article.

A vote for this proposition would eliminate all masculine pronouns from article 1 of the constitution of the state of
Kansas.

"A vote against this proposition favors retaining current constitutional provisions, which contain masculine pronouns in article 1 of the constitution of the state of Kansas."

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2020, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case it shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.