

25-605. Ballot form for constitutional amendments. When a constitutional amendment is to be submitted to the voters of the state, a separate ballot may be provided by the county election officers or the proposition may be combined with the official general ballot provided for in K.S.A. 25-601, and amendments thereto. If such propositions are printed on a separate ballot, such ballot shall comply with the requirements for ballots for election of officers insofar as such requirements are applicable. The secretary of state shall prescribe the ballot format but a ballot shall include the information required by this section and be substantially in the form specified in this section. The statement expressing the intent or purpose of the proposition and the effect of a vote for and a vote against the proposition, followed by the words "Shall the following be adopted?" shall be printed on the ballot immediately preceding the full text of the proposed constitutional amendment. If there is more than one constitutional amendment to be voted upon, the different amendments shall be separately numbered and printed, and be separated by a broad solid line 1/8th inch wide or by double lines approximately 1/8th inch apart.

Opposite and after each amendment, submitted shall be printed two squares, one above the other. To the right of the upper one of the squares shall be printed the word "Yes," and to the right of the lower one of the squares shall be printed the word "No." Across the entire width of the ballot, preceding such proposition or propositions, shall be printed the following instructions: "To vote in favor of any question submitted upon this ballot, make a cross or check mark in the square to the left of the word 'Yes'; to vote against it, make a cross or check mark in the square to the left of the word 'No'." On the back of each ballot shall be printed, in addition to other required matters, the words "questions submitted." If such propositions are printed on a separate ballot, county election officers may cause to be printed on the outside of such ballots "Ballot No. _____" with the blank filled with a number to aid in distinguishing such ballots when more than one question submitted ballot is voted upon at a voting place.

History: L. 1893, ch. 78, § 16; L. 1897, ch. 129, § 16; L. 1901, ch. 177, § 7; R.S. 1923, 25-605; L. 1968, ch. 406, § 108; L. 1971, ch. 126, § 1; L. 1972, ch. 133, § 1; L. 1978, ch. 137, § 2; L. 1979, ch. 109, § 1; L. 1981, ch. 166, § 2; L. 1992, ch. 291, § 2; L. 1993, ch. 68, § 1; July 1.