

EXECUTIVE ORDER 11-01

WHEREAS, the economic well-being of the great State of Kansas and the growth of liberty and economic opportunities for the citizens of Kansas and for Kansas businesses are major priorities of this Administration; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Kansas and all persons doing business in the State of Kansas have a mutual interest in a system of government, laws, regulations, and other governing instruments that are reasonable, comprehensible, consistent, predictable, and minimally burdensome; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this Administration's constitutional duty to supervise and direct the executive departments and agencies of state government for the purpose of carrying out the laws, regulations, and other governing instruments of the State of Kansas, I have established a new common sense approach to the task of governing; and

WHEREAS, unreasonable, unduly burdensome, duplicative, onerous, and conflicting laws, regulations, and other governing instruments are detrimental to the economic well-being of Kansas; hinder the growth of liberty and opportunities for Kansans and Kansas businesses; and defy a common sense approach to governance; and

WHEREAS, there currently exists in Kansas certain laws, regulations, and other governing instruments that meet these criteria and should therefore be immediately repealed;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Kansas, I hereby create within the Kansas Department of Administration a new office to be called the Office of the Repealer. The Office of the Repealer shall be directed by an executive officer to be named the State Repealer. The State Repealer shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Secretary of Administration shall commit and make available to the Office of the Repealer such resources and personnel as may be required to carry out this Order at the discretion of the State Repealer.

The Office of the Repealer shall undertake as its sole task and charge the following duties:

1. The Office of the Repealer shall investigate the system of governance of the State of Kansas including its laws, regulations, and other governing instruments to determine instances in which those laws, regulations, or other governing instruments are unreasonable, unduly burdensome, duplicative, onerous, or in conflict.
2. The Office of the Repealer shall cause to be created at the earliest possible date a system for receiving public comment suggesting various laws, regulations, and other governing instruments to be considered for possible repeal by the Office of the Repealer. This system shall include an online portal for the receipt of such public comment.

3. When the Office of the Repealer shall determine that any such law, regulation, or other governing instrument meets the standard set forth in paragraph 1 above, the State Repealer shall cause a recommendation for either outright repeal or for modification to be delivered to the originating body of such law, regulation, or other governing instrument; for example, to the Legislature for laws and to the promulgating state agency for regulations. The recommendation shall set forth with specificity the justification for the requested repeal or modification. Any recommendation made by the State Repealer shall carry the full weight and force of this Administration.
4. The Office of the Repealer shall implement a tracking system to follow the action taken by any originating body on any recommendation made by the State Repealer in order to prepare regular reports to the Office of the Governor regarding the progress of repeal or modification.

The Office of the Repealer shall have the authority to determine and implement such internal policies, standards, and procedures as may be necessary for the orderly and efficient carrying out of its mission as set forth in this Order.

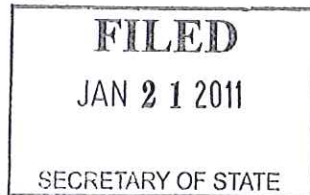
This document shall be filed with the Secretary of State as Executive Order No. 11-01 and shall become effective immediately.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

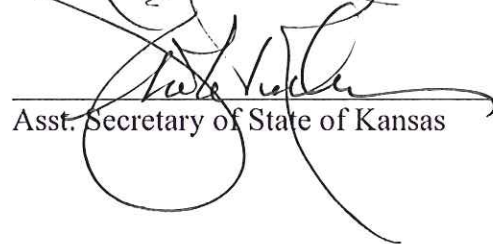
BY THE GOVERNOR:



Dated: 1/21/11




Secretary of State of Kansas


Asst. Secretary of State of Kansas