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IS FEDERAL REDISTRICTING COMING TO KANSAS? POSSIBLE SPECIAL SESSION OF KANSAS LEGISLATURE THIS FALL

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While a special session of the Kansas Legislature has not yet been formally called, the Foulston government affairs team has learned that Kansas legislative leaders are considering calling one this fall for the purpose of redistricting congressional districts. The procedure for calling a special session is set forth in Article 1, Section 5 of the Kansas Constitution, which provides:

“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 of the members elected to each house.”

If a special session is called, it is likely to be a one-day session scheduled for a Saturday in November 2025. It is worth noting that there is no limitation on topics that can be considered during a special session, and the matters and issues discussed can expand beyond the specific topic for which the special session is called.

We will share updated information when and if the situation changes.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you have questions or want more information regarding this update, contact your legal counsel. If you do not have regular counsel for such matters, Foulston Siefkin LLP would welcome the opportunity to work with you to meet your specific needs. For more information, contact Foulston's government affairs team leader C. Edward Watson, II, at 316.291.9589 or cewatson@foulston.com, or government affairs consultants Susan (Sue) Peterson, PhD, at 785.341.6717 or speterson@foulston.com, or Eric L. Sexton, PhD, at 316.371.7553 or esexton@foulston.com. For more information on the firm, please visit our website at www.foulston.com.

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