



KIOWA TRIBE

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OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATURE

RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2025-00X **FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE 2022 KIOWA TRIBE ELECTION LAW**

At a duly called session of the Legislature of the Kiowa Tribe held this ___ day of _____, 2025, the following resolution and law were adopted.

WHEREAS; The citizens of the Kiowa Tribe voted to approve the new Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe (“Constitution”) on April 17, 2017 through a Secretarial Election conducted by the BIA; and,

WHEREAS; The Kiowa Tribe Legislature is vested with the authority to pass laws and resolutions pursuant to Article IV, Section 6(a) of the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe; and,

WHEREAS; Prior to the final approval of the Kiowa Tribe’s new Constitution by the BIA, the Kiowa Business Committee enacted the First Election Law of 2017 to govern the implementation of the New Constitution and the First Election; and,

WHEREAS; Article IX, Section 3(a) of the Constitution states, there shall be an Election Commission vested with the responsibility to conduct legitimate elections in a fair and impartial manner in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the Tribe; and,

WHEREAS; The Kiowa Legislature has identified that the “Kiowa Election Law of 2022” needs necessary revisions, to provide additional guidance to the Election Commission since the First Election laws had been adopted; and,

WHEREAS; The purpose of the “First Amended 2022 Kiowa Election Commission Law”, is to establish necessary procedures for a more effective administration of the Kiowa Election Commission; and,

WHEREAS; The Kiowa Legislature deemed it necessary and proper to create a amend the 2022 election law, for the establishment of more effective procedures, rules and regulations to conduct the election process.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE IT RESOLVED; that the Legislature hereby enacts the attached law entitled, “First Amended 2022 Kiowa Election Law”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this law shall supersede all laws, resolutions, policies, and ordinances that pertain to Kiowa Tribe Elections.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution KL-CY-2025-00X was duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 2025, at a Legislative Regular Session ____ () with a vote of () in favor and () opposed, () abstain, and () absent pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

Michael Primus
Speaker of the Legislature

LEGISLATURE - RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2025-00X:

SPONSOR: Warren Queton/District #7

CO-SPONSOR(S):

LEGISLATORS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kyle Ataddlety District 1				
Michael Primus District 2				
Timothy Satepauhoodle District 3				
Cole DeLaune District 4				
Tiya Rosario District 5				
Ben Wolf District 6				
Warren Queton District 7				

DELIVERY OF THE RESOLUTION AND LAW TO THE CHAIRMAN

Resolution No. KL-CY-2025-00X was presented to the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe on the ____ day of _____, 2025, pursuant to the Article VI, Section 8(a)(iv) of the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe, and will become effective after signature by the Chairman or veto override by the Legislature, and as otherwise required by the Constitution.

Michael Primus
Speaker of the Legislature

CHAIRMAN’S ACTION:

APPROVED

VETO - RETURNED TO LEGISLATURE WITH EXPLANATION:

On this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Lawrence Spottedbird
Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe

Presented by the Chairman to the Legislature on the ____ day of _____, 2025.

LEGISLATURE’S ACTION:

Override of Chairman’s veto:

YES

NO

LEGISLATIVE OVERRIDE ORDER: KLO-CY-2025-0XX

LEGISLATORS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kyle Ataddlety District 1				
Michael Primus District 2				
Timothy Satepauhoodle District 3				
Cole DeLaune District 4				
Tiya Rosario District 5				
Ben Wolf District 6				
Warren Queton District 7				

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Legislative Order, KL-CY-2025-XXX was duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 2025, at a Legislative Override Order Session with a vote of _____ in favor and _____ opposed, and _____ abstaining, _____ Absent. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

Michael Primus
Speaker of Legislature

Section 1.1 Short Title

This enactment shall be known as the “First Amendment to the 2022 Kiowa Election Law”.

Section 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of the law is to provide guidance and procedures the Kiowa Election Commission to conduct legitimate elections in a fair and impartial manner. To clarify, outline and further delineate the authority, duties and responsibilities of the Kiowa Election Commission.

Section 1.3 Findings

The Legislature hereby finds and declares that:

- a. The Legislature has identified that no additional election laws have been enacted since the Legislature enacted the First Amendment of the First Election Law of 2017.
- b. It is essential for the Kiowa Tribe to have election rules and regulations consistent with the current Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe to provide guidance and direction to conduct fair and impartial elections.
- c. The Legislature established it is necessary to amend the current election law for the Kiowa voters in the current electoral process.

Section 1.4 First Amendment to the 2022 Kiowa Election Law

- a. This law shall govern all elections and election related activities consistent with the Constitution.
- b. This law shall be immediately effective upon its completion of the Open Legislative Process in accordance with the Constitution, Article VI, § 8 (a).
- c. All regulations and procedures will be in accordance with the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe. When conflicts arise, the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe shall supersede.
- d. All prior election ordinances, laws, amendments and/or regulations or procedures formerly utilized by the Kiowa Tribe and Kiowa Election Commission in the conducting of elections are hereby repealed.

Section 1.5 Amendment

Any subsequent amendments made to this law must be enacted by the Legislature in accordance with an open legislative process as required by the Kiowa Constitution. A statement shall be included in the purposed resolution identifying the specific provision which will be superseded, repealed, or amended.

Section 1.6 Severability

If any provision(s) of this law are declared invalid by the Judicial Branch, the invalid provision(s) shall be severed, and the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.