



# CALL FOR EMERGENCY AUTHORITY REFORM

It's been nearly 50 years since Kansas updated our emergency management (KEMA) and local health statutes and the Covid-19 pandemic has made the need for **permanent** and meaningful reform evident!

## WHY THIS MATTERS TO KANSANS

As Kansas residents struggle to survive these challenging times, too many citizens have little recourse to defend their rights and hold government officials accountable.

They are **RELYING ON YOU** to support recovery efforts, address weaknesses in public policy, and build sustainable change as we look toward a better future.

**67%**  
OF VOTERS  
NEGATIVELY IMPACTED  
ECONOMICALLY BY  
THE CORONAVIRUS

## KANSANS WANT ACCOUNTABILITY

**64%** OF VOTERS



Support the decision to allow for legislative oversight over the Governor's executive order decisions; oversight of county health officer orders; and allowing educational decisions to fall in the hands of local school boards.

**1 in 2** VOTERS



Agree that the government should be able to access emergency funding without having to invoke laws that allow state and local officials to impose restrictions on personal freedom and economic activity.

**62%** OF VOTERS

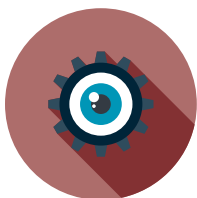


Agree that the law authorizing public health orders should specify different types of authority during different types of emergencies.

*SurveyUSA interviewed 600 adults from the entire state of Kansas 11/11/20 through 11/16/20*

## WHAT'S THE SOLUTION FOR KANSANS?

Legislators should focus on much-needed reforms to KEMA and local health officer statutes, including:



### OVERSIGHT

of gubernatorial and local health officer actions



### DUE PROCESS

protections for those subject to mandates and restrictions



### TRANSPARENCY

in data and definition in the statute