SESSION OF 2026

SECOND CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT BRIEF
HOUSE BILL NO. 2587

As Agreed to March 26, 2026

Brief*

HB 2587 would require citizenship status be listed on driver's licenses and permit any person whose driver's license lists such person as a noncitizen to obtain a provisional ballot for voting purposes if such person claims to be a citizen.

Conference Committee Action

The Second Conference Committee agreed to remove the contents of HB 2587 and add the contents of HB 2448, as passed by the House, regarding citizenship status being listed on driver's licenses.

Background

The Second Conference Committee agreed to remove the contents of HB 2587 and add the contents of HB 2448.

[*Note:* The provisions of HB 2587, as passed by the Senate, concerning the authorization of a licensed private psychiatric hospital to maintain a stock supply of emergency medication kits for pharmaceutical emergencies, were included in the Conference Committee Report for HB 2250, which is pending adoption.]

HB 2448

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Elections at the request of Representative Proctor.

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House Committee on Elections

In the House Committee hearing, representatives of the Honest Elections Project Action and the Office of the Secretary of State provided **proponent** testimony, stating the bill would provide an extra layer of protection to ensure noncitizens are not voting.

Neutral testimony was provided by a representative of the American Legislative Exchange Council.

Opponent testimony was provided by representatives of the ACLU of Kansas, Kansas Interfaith Action, and Loud Light Civic Action, and one private citizen. The conferees expressed concerns about people having to show their driver's licenses listing citizenship status in contexts other than voting and whether the provisions of the bill would improve election integrity.

Written-only opponent testimony was provided by representatives of El Centro, Health Forward Foundation, Kansas Hispanic and Latino American Affairs Commission, League of Women Voters of Kansas, and Thrive Allen County and Thrive Kansas, and 52 private citizens.

No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee amended the bill to require a provisional ballot be provided to a person who displays a driver's license listing the person as a noncitizen if such person claims to be a citizen. [*Note:* The Conference Committee retained this amendment.]

Fiscal Information

HB 2448

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2448, as introduced, the Kansas Department of Revenue indicates enactment of the bill would require three days of work to develop and test the addition of a new status to the application programming interface to be able to send the information to the credential vendor. Excluding staff time for the application programming interface, the agency states there would be no fiscal effect.

Elections; driver's license; citizenship status

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