

Canyen Ashworth OPPONENT OF SB 4

Good day,

My name is Canyen Ashworth, of Lenexa 66219. I am submitting my testimony in stark opposition to SB 4. I am a young man, a young volunteer and voter, under the age of thirty. I have been excited my entire life to engage in the political discourse of our country, but this brings me no pleasure.

Attacks on our democracy come one bill at a time, and this bill, SB 4, which continues to remove eligible voters access to polling locations and opportunities, is a brazen attempt to further disenfranchise my fellow Americans. This bill was not brought into existence by the people of Kansas, but by those would do our nation and our state harm.

I understand there are some concerns about the integrity of our elections, I myself am a cybersecurity professional and followed many of the developments closely. But there is not, I repeat, there is not any valid, legitimate evidence that mail in voting is a problem in this country. Dead people are not voting by mail. Illegal immigrants are not voting by mail. Even in the few extreme cases where abnormalities have been observed, they were swiftly corrected or documented by dedicated poll workers and analysts who perform the thankless tasks of facilitating our elections.

The United States postal service is a marvel of American ingenuity. This nation was in some part built by the postal service, connecting homesteaders since its inception. The postal service and its mail in ballot windows are critical, they are integral, for our ability to speak our minds every election cycle. Restricting those voices is not only tyrannical, it is a mistake based on false conceptions about the reality we live in. It's wrong. It's incorrect. It flies in the face of every American value we expose in our daily lives.

I am asking you to please, oppose SB 4. It's un-American.

Regards,

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