

Opponent Written Testimony on HB 2438
House Committee on Elections
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Chair Proctor members of the committee,

I oppose HB 2438 because it makes voting harder for Kansans and it doesn't need to. I've used online voter registration tools myself, and I've shared them with friends and family. Because of that, more people I care about were able to register and vote easily. That's what we should want for every Kansan: a system that encourages participation, not one that puts up barriers.

Instead of making it simpler for people to take part in our democracy, this bill does the opposite. It bans secure, trusted tools that have helped Kansans register for nearly a decade. When the state failed to build a system that worked for everyday people, civic leaders stepped up and created ksvotes.org which is a safe, reliable tool that has helped countless voters. Now, instead of improving access, this bill would take it away.

Changing voter registration rules right before an election doesn't protect democracy; it weakens it. It silences voices and makes participation harder for everyone.

Voting should be easy, secure, and accessible. This bill moves us in the wrong direction, and I urge you to oppose it.

Thank you.

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