

Opponent Written Only Testimony on House Bill 2438

House Elections Committee

January 15, 2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for your time and allowing a concerned citizen to share my thoughts on HB 2438. My name is Alison Poore, a resident and voter in Sedgwick County, and I am urging the committee to please vote no on the proposed HB 2438.

First and foremost, democracy should be easy to take part in and instead of keeping tax paying and participating members of society at the forefront of decisions, politicians continue to waste time by prioritizing rigging the system in their favor. A platform we are specifically speaking about today is ksvotes.org. When elected officials *failed* to create an online voter registration tool, civic leaders filled the void and created a safe and secure tool for regular people. This tool has been used for nearly ten years and allowed countless Kansans (including myself) to register to vote. It's incredibly frustrating to feel like lawmakers do not care to make voting accessible to Kansans. It feels like they would rather make it more difficult to sway outcomes their favor. Free and fair elections begin with easy and accessible voter registration.

This bill specifically allows the Secretary of State to ban online voter registration tools for *any* reason and would *only* allow online tools that have been personally endorsed by the SOS. A huge concern is that this bill would go into effect immediately without laying out regulations required for an online voter registration to be endorsed by the Secretary of State until *after* the 2026 elections. With the primary coming up in August, this should be a driving force to vote no to HB 2438.

We must end the attack on safe and secure voter registration tools which encourage voters in our state to participate in democracy. Free and fair elections should be fully accessible to all Kansans.

Thank you for hearing the thoughts of a concerned citizen and again I urge you to please vote no on House Bill 2438. Thank you.