

**Opponent Written Testimony on House Bill 2438**  
House Committee on Elections  
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Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

Why does the majority party believe it has to cheat to win in 2026? Why do they think they have to prevent people from voting in order to win the vote?

That's precisely what HB 2438 would do—make it harder for Kansans to register to vote. It would bypass rules and regulations governing online registration for the next election cycle and place that power in the Republican Secretary of State's hands alone.

Discouraging people from voting, centralizing power, and substituting the rule of law for the will of one person—all of these aspects of the law are profoundly anti-democratic.

Please save the state a lot of money in lawyers' fees and kill this misguided measure. Thank you for your attention.