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Opponent Testimony
HB 2451**

**AN ACT concerning elections; relating to the use of public assets for campaign finance;
prohibiting the use of such assets to advocate for or against state constitutional
amendments**

**In the House Committee on Elections
January 22, 2026**

Chair Proctor, members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in opposition to HB 2451 on behalf of Game On for Kansas Schools, a grassroots public education advocacy organization.

We oppose HB 2451 as we recognize the importance of school district administration and school board members educating their communities on the impact of proposed constitutional amendments. The public does not benefit when personnel who have distinct knowledge and understanding of issues are prohibited from sharing that information. In recent years, we have seen several attempted constitutional amendments that would have an impact on public education. That potential impact is often not understood and not addressed by those outside of education. Also, in addition to the conduct explicitly prohibited by this bill, there would likely be a chilling effect on communication beyond what is explicitly prohibited by this bill. As public education supporters, we oppose the limitations on important communication.

For these reasons, we urge you to oppose HB 2451.