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Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you for giving me the opportunity to share my thoughts on HB 2448. My name is Patricia Harrigan and I am a voter in Johnson County in Prairie Village, Kansas. I am writin today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

HB 2448 is an attempt to bring back Documentary Proof of Citizenship. Documentary Proof of Citizenship was declared unconstitutional in a federal court in 2018 after more than 30,000 voter applications were suspended or cancelled. These 30,000 applicants were denied their right to vote. Some politicians are attempting to rig the system and make it more complicated for all eligible voters–Republican, Democratic, or Independent–to vote.

Kansas elections are secure. The theory that massive numbers of non-citizens are voting fraudulently in Kansas elections is untrue. These theories have been disproven in national studies (<https://www.npr.org/2025/07/30/nx-s1-5462836/noncitizen-voting-trump-ceir-review>) and lawsuits (Fish v. Kobach, now known as Fish v. Schwab).

Requiring citizenship status on driver's licenses will be used to deny people their voting rights. This legislation does not take into consideration how the state government would update immigration status or when a current citizen is able to submit their documentation to prove their status. It also has no process for how often this information will be updated. Besides denying voting rights, identifying non-citizens could be used as justification for denying other rights.

Again, thank you for allowing me to share my thoughts on this bill. I encourage you to vote NO of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.