

Meagan
Private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Thank you chair proctor and members of the committee for considering my thoughts on HB 2448. My name is Meagan Navarro, and I am a voter in Johnson county, Olathe. I am writing to vote NO on HB 2448.

This bill should not pass because it harms all of the community. This unfairly targets those who are still undergoing naturalization, those missing their citizenship forms, and those that are studying abroad here, which includes some of my friends. My friend from India who was thinking about getting his license to become more independent and drive to events for his PhD program can be wrongfully targeted and harassed for not being US citizen if he is ever questioned for his ID or even if he forgets his ID. This furthers the stigmatization and potential harassment of ALL the minorities in our community, even myself, if we encourage the accusation of every minority to be here unlawfully and must prove ourselves at every instance of accusation.

Thank you for hearing my insight, I encourage everyone to vote against the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Mikaela Navarro
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Mikaela Navarro and I am a voter in Johnson County. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448

Dividing and labeling people as non-citizens is very concerning. It takes away rights and with the rise of ICE and anti-immigration laws, this would allow people who are labelled non-citizens to face an increase of harassment and harm from those in power, like the law enforcement. These "non-citizens" are people and no one, should ever be harassed because they are not from here. Majority of people in the US are immigrants, besides the Native Americans who were here first. This is also very concerning for those who are naturalized citizens. People don't deserve to be labeled as citizen or non-citizen.

Once again, I thank you all for hearing my story and thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote no of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Adrienne Newlin
private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee - my name is Adrienne Newlin and I am a voter in Overland Park (Johnson County). I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

Elections in Kansas are secure. The ideas of fraud are just that, ideas - conspiracy theories with no supporting facts or evidence. This bill is just another way for unpopular politicians to rig the system instead of letting the will and voice of voters be reflected in the polls.

Thank you for your time. Vote NO on HB 2448.

Sara Norberg
Private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committer, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. my name is Sara and I am a voter in Sedgwick County. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

This is equivalent to providing your papers in Nazi Germany and I am not for it at all. This opens the door for discrimination and racist situations.

Once again, thank you all for hearing my story and thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote no of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Matthew Obold-Geary
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Matthew Obold-Geary, and I am a voter in Johnson County. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448"

Mandating citizenship status on driver's licenses targets individuals based on a personal characteristic and can lead to discrimination and stigmatization of groups within our communities. Many lawful non-citizens contribute to Kansas's economy, culture, and civic life. Requiring a citizenship marker on a widely used identity document could invite profiling in routine interactions with law enforcement, landlords, employers, or service providers.

There is no demonstrated need for a citizenship field on state IDs to ensure secure elections or public safety. Kansas already has systems in place to verify voter eligibility — including citizenship — at the time of voter registration. Adding this information to driver's licenses could create a false sense of security while exposing the state to unintended legal and administrative costs.

Driver's licenses are one of the most commonly used forms of identification in everyday life. Embedding sensitive information, such as citizenship status, increases the risk that this information could be misused or improperly disclosed, particularly if adequate data protections are not fully established and funded. The more personal data on a license, the greater the potential harm if that data is lost, stolen, or accessed without consent.

Creating a two-tiered sense of identity can discourage community members from engaging fully in public life — including work, travel, and interactions with governmental services. Some residents might avoid applying for state IDs altogether if they fear that personal information like citizenship status could be exposed or misused, which could reduce mobility and participation in civic life.

Implementing citizenship status on licenses would require changes to DMV systems, staff training, and potentially new verification procedures. Without a clear public benefit that outweighs these costs, this bill risks diverting resources from higher-priority services that Kansans rely on.

For the reasons outlined, discrimination risk, lack of clear benefit, privacy concerns, and cost implications, I urge this Committee to vote against HB 2448. Thank you.

Yareli Ortiz
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Yareli Ortiz and I am a voter in Shawnee County. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

This bill makes it more complicated for eligible Kansans to cast their ballots in the ballot boxes. We as a state should be focused on making voting more accessible to all eligible populations that live in Kansas. As someone who has worked with the elderly in Kansas, I believe that this bill will make it harder for them to vote, as many of them may not have the resources to update their license or identification.

I thank you all listening to my thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote no of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Melinda Parks
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to express my opposition to HB 2448 today. My name is Melinda Parks and I am a voter in Johnson County. I am writing today to urge the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

I don't think there is any need to require citizenship status to be posted on our Kansas state issued IDs. This could lead to significant discrimination and ignores persons who reside and work in our communities and economy with legal immigration status.

Thank you for reading my opposition and I encourage you all to vote no on the passage of HB 2448.

Charles Patrick
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, I thank you for giving me time to share my thoughts about HB 2448 today. My name is Charles Patrick, and I am a voter in Wyandotte Co. I am written to urge you to vote NO on HB 2448.

We in the United States do not have to prove citizenship. I fought for this country, for the freedoms this country stands for. I do not understand why we would want to emulate dictatorships or fascist countries. Documentary Proof of Citizenship to Kansas, was struck down by the courts as unconstitutional because it disenfranchised over 30,000 Kansans voters.

This bill will be used to deny people their freedoms plain and simple.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to my thought. I urge you to vote NO on the passage of HB 2448

Claudia Patrick
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Claudia Patrick. I am a voter in Wyandotte CO, and I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448!

I have a license that has been federalized by providing my birth certificate just so I can fly, as do many Kansans. Getting birth certificates for older people is not as easy as you may imagine. There are enough requirements for having to vote in Kansas that requiring every voter to prove citizenship is just another burden. I am disappointed that this committee is thinking of disenfranchising voters instead of trying to make sure all Kansans who are eligible to vote are able to.

I urge each one of you to vote No on HB 2448.

Danielle Ramirez
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee,

I appreciate this opportunity to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Danielle Ramirez and I am a voter in Sedgwick County / Wichita. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

I have a long history of working community members, organizations and coalitions on a variety of issues. It is important to be mindful of how legislation of this nature will negatively impact entire communities across Kansas.

As a mother of three, I urge you to please block the passage of HB 2448 which I imagine can bring harm to my neighbors and friends across Wichita & Kansas. Thank you for your consideration.

Susana Ramirez
Private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

My name is Susana Ramirez, I am a voter in jackson county/Blue Springs. I am writing today to encourage committee to vote NO ON HB2448

We are not a 3rd world country, THIS IS AMERICA Land of the FREE Home of the BRAVE!! Its 2026!!! We should not be fighting for equal rights!! I should not be scared to be LATINO in my own country.

Thank you!! PLEASE VOTE NO ON HB2448

Alejandro Rangel-Lopez
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Alejandro Rangel-Lopez and I am a voter in Dodge City. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

This will be used to deny Kansans their rights. In particular, immigrants of any status citizen or not will be the ones targeted for this "papers please" bill. I think it's okay to say the quiet part out loud in this situation: this information on IDs legitimizes the idea that folks living in the U.S. are subject to show ID at the behest of anyone, regardless of whether they're being accused of a crime or not. This is a horrible precedent to set and does nothing to make our elections more secure. This legislation has no process outlined for how often this information will be updated or take into consideration how the state government updates in immigration status or when a current citizen is able to submit their documentation to prove their status. This will inevitably result in citizens being unjustly denied their right to vote. The chair of this committee seems to think that one non-citizen voting is justification enough to effectively deny the right to vote to thousands of citizens who want to engage in the most fundamental civic process to our democracy.

We know what's happening here. This is the first of a three step plan to bring back Documentary Proof of Citizenship to Kansas, which was struck down by the courts as unconstitutional because it disenfranchised over 30,000 Kansans voters. They want to change voting rules and make it more complicated for eligible Kansans to cast their ballot. Once again, I thank you all for hearing my thoughts on this bill. I urge you to stand with Kansans and vote NO on the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Yeni Silva Renteria
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

My Name is Yeni Silva Renteria and I am a voter in Wichita, Sedgwick County. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448

Chair and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to speak today.

I want to begin by saying that Kansans across the political spectrum agree on two things: we value secure elections, and we value fair, limited government that focuses on real, measurable problems facing families.

I respectfully oppose HB 2448 because, while well-intentioned, it does not meaningfully improve election security, and it creates consequences that extend far beyond elections.

Kansas already does not issue driver's licenses or state IDs to undocumented individuals.

Under both Kansas law and federal REAL ID requirements, individuals must already prove their citizenship or lawful presence to obtain a driver's license. Kansans have spent the past several years upgrading to REAL ID, bringing extensive documentation proving their citizenship to meet those standards. I know some of us in the room have braved the long-waiting times at the DMV to get those little gold stars at the top right corners of our REAL IDs.

That means citizenship is determined before a license is issued. Voting eligibility is verified through voter registration systems, not through markings on a driver's license.

In practice, this bill does not close a gap. It adds a label.

The question before us is not whether election integrity matters. It without a doubt does. The question is whether marking citizenship status on a driver's license is necessary, effective, or limited in scope. I don't believe it is.

A driver's license is used dozens of times a week in ordinary life: traffic stops, banking, employment verification, renting housing, picking up prescriptions. Adding a citizenship marker turns a general-purpose ID into something that can invite confusion, profiling, or unequal treatment, especially for naturalized citizens who are fully eligible voters and fully contributing Kansans.

That is not a hypothetical concern; it is an unintended consequence of expanding what government requires to be disclosed in everyday interactions.

I would also encourage the committee to consider priorities. Kansas families are feeling real economic pressure right now.

According to recent Kansas data:

- In Kansas, housing prices and rents have risen significantly over the past several years, contributing to affordability challenges for many families.
- Childcare costs now rival rent in many counties, particularly for working families.
- Utility costs and property taxes continue to climb, squeezing seniors and rural households on fixed incomes.
- And from the personal “data” from members of my community, we’re struggling to feed our families these days without nickel and diming everything thanks to the rising cost of groceries.

These are the issues Kansans raise at kitchen tables and not the markings on a driver’s license.

From a traditional perspective, this bill also expands government involvement in places where it isn’t needed. It adds administrative complexity and unnecessarily advertises personal information without a clear public safety or fiscal benefit.

I know we can protect election integrity without expanding government labeling and without diverting attention from affordability and economic stability.

For those reasons, I respectfully ask the committee to vote ‘no’ on HB 2448 and focus legislative efforts on policies that make Kansas more affordable, more competitive, and stronger for working families.

Thank you for your time.

Dr. Yeni Silva Renteria

Carol Reyes
Private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

My name is Carol Reyes and I am a voter in Sedgwick County Wichita Ks. I am writing to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

In the climate we live in right now. This will just make matters worse and further isolate minorities.

Once again, I thank you all for hearing my thoughts on this bill and encourage you to vote no to HB 2448.

Michael Reyes
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

No

They will profile even more if that on. VOTE NO

Once again, I thank you all for hearing my story and thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote no of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you

Luz Ramona Rivera
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Luz R. Rivera and I am a voter in Sedgwick County, Wichita. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448

I respectfully oppose HB 2448 and urge legislators to vote against it. Given what is currently happening with increased ICE activity and the targeting of people of color, this bill makes me feel unsafe. Requiring citizenship status on a driver's license would turn a basic form of identification into a marker that could expose people to discrimination, profiling, or harassment.

As a citizen, I believe this violates basic rights and fairness. Many people in our communities are legal residents who are actively working toward citizenship, contributing to our workforce, raising families, and following the law. Labeling their IDs would make them vulnerable simply for existing in public spaces.

This bill would create fear instead of safety, and division instead of trust. No one should have to worry that showing a driver's license could put them at risk. For these reasons, I strongly oppose HB 2448 and ask you to vote no.

Once again, I thank you all for hearing my thoughts on this bill and I encourage you all to vote no of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Nohely Rivera
Private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Nohely Rivera and I am a voter in WICHITA. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on the HB 2448.

I believe it to be unnecessary exposing one's citizenship status on a license. Driver's licenses exist to support public safety & identification, not to expose immigration or citizenship status. This will increase profiling & discrimination. Voting eligibility is already verified through existing systems. We need to stop the violence going on in America, this bill doesn't help the public nor strengthen election security. I urge you to consider the real-world impact on Kansas families & pursue solutions focused on safety.

Once again, I thank you all for hearing my story and thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote NO on the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Anaidy G. Claudio Rosa
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you for your time in sharing my thoughts on HB 2448. My name is Anaidy G. Claudio Rosa a resident of Sedgwick County in Derby, KS. I am writing to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

I work with vulnerable populations as a clinical social worker. In my line of work I often serve victims of abuse who struggle to leave their abusers because of a number of reasons often out of their control. These individuals are maybe citizens and noncitizens. Kansas already has a requirement for residents to get a Real ID. Victims of abuse are often controlled by their abusers when their abusers confiscate their identification. When individuals are severely mentally ill, like those you may see living on the streets, they often lose track of their identification making it difficult for them to access needed resources to begin recovery. Adding a citizenship marker on identification is needless and could potentially harm citizens and noncitizens alike by causing agencies to assume the citizenship of persons seeking assistance and refusing them services. It can take weeks or months to update an ID if people changed their names or do not having matching SSN and birth certificates. I myself had to make changes to my SSN because the name of my SSN did not exactly match the name of my birth certificate and it was a lengthy process to get all the documents in order to get a real ID. Adding another requirement would add unnecessary steps to an already lengthy process when someone has to update an ID.

Thank you for reading my statement and I encourage you to vote no on the passage of HB 2448.

JORGE SALAMANCA
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, I want to thank you for the opportunity to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you. My name is Jorge Salamanca, and I am a voter in Garden City (Finney County). I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

As a former US resident (I became a citizen in 2009), I can speak firsthand of the difference in the feeling of being protected just as citizens would. Because, before the eyes of the law, It should not make a difference if you are simply a resident or a full citizen of the United States. If you drive responsibly, you earn the same respect from society. If you break the law while driving, you are subjected to the same degree of punishment, regardless of your status a resident of US citizen.

In terms of marking the separation between citizens and non-citizens, I believe that this designation on the driver's license would just generate fear and panic among drivers, even if they are legal residents, particularly when interacting with law enforcement. Although the argument can be made that this enactment will help reduce the possibility of voter fraud, several studies have already shown that in states such as Kansas, voter fraud is already very minimal with the current practices.

I want to thank you again for taking the time to read this correspondence and for your consideration of my concerns regarding passing HB 2448. I encourage you all to vote NO on the passage of this bill. Thank you.

Sondra Samuels
I am a private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Dear Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee,

Thank you very much for you giving me the time to share my thoughts about HB 2448. My name is Sondra Samuels and voter in Wyandotte County in Kansas City, Kansas. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote No on HB 2448 because of the damaging effects and threats it poses to all Kansans. First, it would become an unconstitutional bill and short change the citizens of Kansas. Many will be disenfranchised and discouraged to participate in their rights as a citizen. Please do the right thing and vote no.

Mr. Koback has previously tried and failed to get this to become a bill. Then it was rejected. This matters to me because this is a way to take away our voices as Kansans.

Once again, I want to thank you all of you for listening to me as I encourage you all to vote no to the passage of HB 2448.

Jose Santana
Your Position
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

My name is Jose Santana and i am a voter in wichita i am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

I respectfully urge you to vote against HB 2448. This bill matters deeply to me because its passage would directly impact people like me and the community I care about. I have seen firsthand how policies like this create real-life barriers—not just on paper, but in daily life. When lawmakers block access, support, or protections, it isn't abstract; it affects families, health, stability, and opportunity. In my own experience, I have already faced enough challenges navigating systems that should exist to help, not make things harder. HB 2448 would move us in the wrong direction by adding more obstacles instead of solutions. I believe our laws should protect people, respect personal circumstances, and promote fairness. For these reasons, I strongly encourage you to oppose HB 2448 and stand with constituents who will be directly affected by its consequences.

thank you

Taia Sarazov
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Thank you for letting me share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Taia Sarazov and I'm a voter in Kansas City Kansas. I'm writing to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448

I oppose this bill because it is unnecessary. The wording of the bill is vague, and does not include enforcement. This reactionary policy is a waste of time that will not protect US citizens. Kansas already has fair elections, which is a fact repeatedly proven in court. This is an attempt to limit the scope of our democracy.

Thank you again for listening to my thoughts. I encourage you all to vote no on the passage of HB 2448

JOAN SCHROCK-WOODWARD

PRIVATE CITIZEN

HB 2448 Opponent

1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and members of the Committee , thank you for taking the time to read my comments about HB 2448. My name is Joan Schrock-Woodward. I am a voter from North Newton in Harvey County. I am writing today to strongly encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

This action, if taken, has nothing to do with voter fraud. This seems to me to be pure discrimination targeting our immigrant community. I stand by my immigrant neighbors. We need them. We are better together!

Thank you again for taking the time to read this. I encourage you all to please vote NO to the passage of HB 2448. Thank you!

January 29, 2026

Kansas House Elections Committee
300 SW. 10th Avenue
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Re: Health Forward Foundation opposition House Bill 2448: requiring citizenship to be listed on the driver's licenses

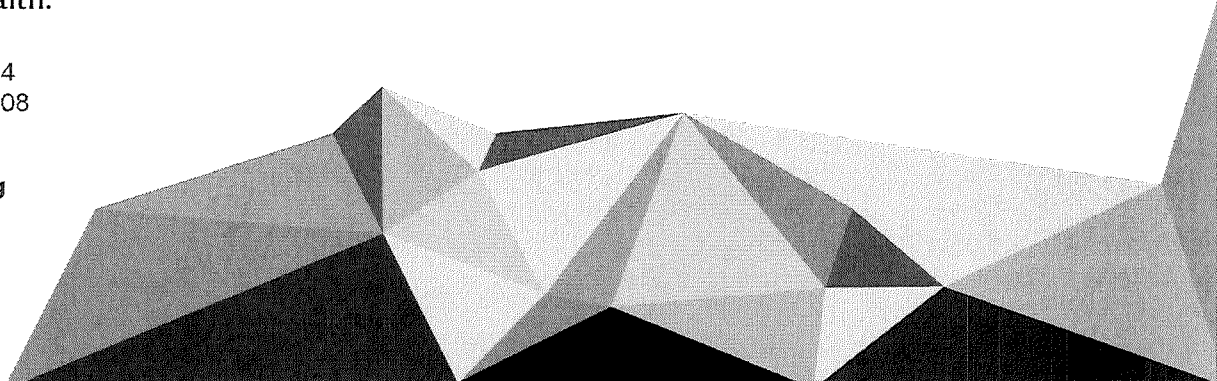
Chair Proctor and members of the House Committee on Elections:

On behalf of Health Forward Foundation (Health Forward), I submit this letter of testimony in opposition to House Bill 2448 which requires citizenship status to be listed on driver's licenses. Health Forward is a health foundation focused on equitable health care access and outcomes. We oppose this bill because it will increase barriers to obtaining a valid driver's license which will increase barriers to voting.

Access to a driver's license impacts an individual's access to services, ability to freely move around their community, and ability to engage meaningfully in their communities, including voting.ⁱ This bill will restrict these freedoms for Kansans who do not get a driver's license due to privacy-related or other concerns about displaying their citizenship status.

According to the Health and Democracy Index, there is a distinct relationship between healthier states and inclusive voting policies and voter participation. Driver's licenses are one of the main forms of identification used for voting. As a result, access to driver's licenses directly impacts access to voting. HB 2448 will negatively impact the health of Kansas as it increases barriers to voting and will hinder the ability of Kansans to vote for the issues and candidates that advance our health.

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Health Forward asks members of the committee to vote no on HB 2448. Please contact eshankland@healthforward.org if you have any questions or would like additional resources. We would welcome the opportunity to remain engaged with you on this issue.

Sincerely,

Emma Shankland
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Health Forward Foundation

ⁱ "Advancing Health Equity Through Voter Participation." The Network for Public Health Law. August 2022. Accessed at <https://www.networkforphl.org/news-insights/advancing-health-equity-through-voter-participation/>.

Sandra Siebert
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

"Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Sandra Siebert and I am a voter in Jefferson County. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448"

We must stop putting up road blocks to voting

thank you all for hearing my story and thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote no of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Jonathan Smith
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Good day to you Chair Proctor and committee members. Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony today in opposition to HB 2448. My name is Jonathan Smith, a voter in Shawnee County, and I believe that this is an unnecessary and costly law requiring the re-issuance of every driver's license in the state to achieve what is already currently the case in Kansas. Please vote No on HB 2448.

One must ask themselves what 'problem' this law is solving or fixing. A rational person would see the new requirement in HB 2448 to add citizenship to a driver's license and assume that somehow undocumented residents in the State of Kansas are voting in elections in such numbers that it's a problem, but multiple reports and county canvasses that are weighed against the already scrupulous registration process have revealed no such problem to exist.

So, if there are no findings of widespread voter fraud, or even undocumented residents voting in elections, then what are we doing here? This bill, put forward by Representative Pat Proctor would imply that he knows something that us citizens, and published news sources, don't.

So unless Pat has some documented evidence of enough fraud that would require our entire state to print new driver's licenses for the 2,000,000+ registered voters in Kansas, then this bill is just as silly as the implication.

<https://www.sos.ks.gov/elections/voter-registration-statistics.html>

Where are we going to get the money to pay for 2,000,000 new driver's licenses? And this bill is being passed through the Elections Committee, and yet it's about driver's licenses, with no references to voting, elections, polls, voter rolls, nothing. Why is this here? Are we going to pass subsequent legislation that then require voters to have these new licenses to vote before the midterms?

This bill raises far too many questions, most of which being, "why?", "How?", or "Then what?" Why do we need this? How will it be used? Then what happens? So, without any proper justification for its existence, I must insist that you vote no on the borderline purposeless HB 2448. I understand the political will or want to be able to identify undocumented citizens easier, simpler, or faster, but the implications behind passing this in the Elections Committee is far too worrisome to encourage such partisan antics.

Vote no on HB 2448, and I thank you committee members for your time.

William Stacey
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor, members of the committee, and all who are involved. Many thanks for the time allotted to read my testimony on HB 2448. My name is William Stacey. I'm a voter and resident in Sedwick county, Wichita specifically. I am writing as a concerned citizen to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

This bill is a stepping stone in the wrong direction when it comes to progress in humanity. With increasing bigotry and anti-migrant rhetoric in this country, this bill paints a larger target on the backs of migrants seeking citizenship within our country. Good folks are being targeted based on their skin color and accent with this rapid-growing organization known as ICE. This bill further enables danger for people who don't deserve detention and deportation without due process. Families are being ripped apart, children traumatized. It's a horrific situation that'll continue to send this country in a backwards direction if further enabled with anti-migrant acts. Since the beginning, The United States of America has always been a land of immigrants. Hardworking migrant folk do more than enough to enhance the multicultural aspects, that which enrich the land of the free.

Please look within your hearts and consider leaning towards compassion for humanity. We are all we have on this planet. Thank you again for taking your time to read my testimony. Together humanity can do better.

Emily Steinwart
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is WRITE YOUR NAME and I am a voter in WRITE YOUR COUNTY/CITY. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

Voter fraud is so rare as to be non existent. This wasting time and our tax dollars to solve a problem that doesn't exist. As your constituent, I would prefer you spend your time and my money to fix things that are actually broken. You could start with healthcare, public schools, corporate greed, the environment...the list goes on. Anyone of these topics would be far more beneficial than conspiracy theory based baloney like HB 2448.

Once again, I thank you all for hearing my story and thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote no of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Ronald Szymankowski
PRIVATE CITIZENCH
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448. My name is Ronald Szymankowski and I am a voter in Johnson County/Overland Park. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

In my opinion this bill is a solution in search of a problem. Instead of fixing a problem which does not exist, it will disenfranchise qualified voters from participating in the election process. Surveys have shown that noncitizen voting is incredibly rare, and currently there are severe penalties for noncitizens who illegally try to vote. Also, the process is not outlined in HB 2448 and this will likely lead to voter confusion, and consequently the unjust denial to vote for otherwise qualified voters.

Once again, I thank you all for hearing my opinions and thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote no on the passage of HB 2448. Thank you.

Cynthia Thompson
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee. I appreciate the ability to share my feelings on HB 2448. My name is Cynthia Thompson and I live in Salina. I am writing to ask you to vote NO on HB 2448.

I believe voting should be easy. The belief that there is widespread voter fraud has been debunked. To have a true representative democracy we need more people voting, not fewer. Laws such as HB 2448 intimidate citizens and deter them from voting even in subsequent elections.

Again, thanks for hearing my thoughts, and please vote NO on HB 2448.

Eliana Valdez
Private Citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you for taking the time to share my thoughts with you all. My name is Eliana Valdez and I am a dedicated voter in Garden City, located in Finney County. I am writing to ask the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

I believe that Kansas elections operate fairly and securely. This legislation is built on rhetoric and unfounded claims that there is widespread voter fraud in Kansas, when this is simply untrue. Passing this bill would mean that constituents with limited resources would lose their voice in their communities. For some people, it is extremely difficult to procure the necessary documents because of poverty, poor health, safety, and a myriad of other reasons. This is unjust and unconstitutional. I would like to believe that our legislators care that actual citizens get their right to vote. This is what's been happening, and hopefully will continue to happen. Passing this bill would mean otherwise. Voting NO would ensure the safety and wellbeing of citizens, and that every voter is being heard.

Thank you for hearing my thoughts on this bill. Please vote NO on HB 2448.

Andrew Vanderwerf
PRIVATE CITIZEN
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Andrew Vanderwerf and I am a voter in Johnson County/Shawnee. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448

I don't think this bill is right because it is potentially restricting people who live here their right to vote, and has no clear plan of implementation and could be manipulated to rig who can vote.

Thank you for hearing my thoughts on this bill and I encourage you all to vote no on this bill.

Danielle Voorhees George
Private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Danielle Voorhees George and I am a voter in Spring Hill. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448"

Kansas elections are secure. Claims of widespread voter fraud by non-citizens are unfounded in reality. This bill is unconstitutional and trying to solve a problem thy doesn't exist.

Thank you for your time and I encourage you to vote No on HB 2448.

Lisa Wright
Private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
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Chair Proctor and committee thank your for hearing my thoughts on HB 2448. My name is Lisa Wright and I am a voter in Johnson County Kansas and I encourage the committee to vote NO on HB 2448.

We have earned the right to use our voices by voting. Do not try to take Kansas backwards. Listen to your constituents!

Thank you again for your time and consideration as I urge you to Vote NO on HB 2448. Thank you.

Julio Zapote
Private citizen
HB 2448 Opponent
1/29/2026

Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on HB 2448 with you today. My name is Julio Zapote and I am a voter in Wichita Kansas. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO ON HB 2448

I oppose this bill because I believe we all deserve our privacy and adding a status on a drivers license would be a way to discriminate and segregate others into another class/category.

Once again, I thank you all for hearing my thoughts on this bill, and I encourage you all to vote no of the passage of HB 2448. Thank you