20 January 2025 Senate Federal and State Affairs SB 4—Proponent Testimony

Chairman Thompson, Vice-Chair Blew, Ranking Faust-Goudeau & Esteemed Members of Federal and State Affairs Committee:

Thank you for having a hearing on such an important issue that impacts our Constitutional Republic and includes your very positions as elected Senators to the great state of Kansas. Today, I write to share my concern with leaving statute as it stands. I firmly believe that Election Day should remain Election Day, and all ballots should be returned just as the in-person votes should be cast by 7:00pm.

As functioning adults, we know how to prioritize shopping for groceries so we don't starve. We know how to pay our bills on time to avoid a late fee. Adults figure out what time to leave for work so they aren't late to start their work day. If it's a priority to adults to vote, they can make arrangements to make it happen as election dates are published FAR in advance. Planning ahead is critical. Military have the option to submit their votes electronically. The longer we leave the voting window open, the more opportunity there is for nefarious behavior.

Please support SB 4 and help close the window for voting to Election Day by 7:00pm.

Thank you!

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