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SB 4 WRITTEN ONLY OPPONENT

Chairman Thompson and Members of the Committee, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to share my thoughts on SB 4 today. My name is Andreas Braz, and I am a voter from Douglas County. I am here to respectfully urge the committee to vote no on SB 4.

As a voter in Douglas County, I believe strongly in the principle that all voices deserve to be heard, especially in a state like Kansas, where our communities thrive on diverse perspectives and collaboration. Living here for the past decade, I witnessed how even small contributions from individuals could lead to meaningful change, whether it was neighbors working together to improve our schools or rallying to support local businesses. SB 4 threatens to undermine that spirit by creating barriers that silence voices rather than amplifying them. This bill risks marginalizing members of our community whose input is vital to shaping a fair and inclusive Kansas. I urge you to vote against SB 4 because the strength of our democracy depends on ensuring everyone, regardless of their background, has a chance to participate fully and freely in our shared future.

With all that being said, 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 SB 4. Thank you for your time and consideration.