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SB 4 WRITTEN ONLY OPPONENT

Chairman Thompson and Members of the Committee, thank you so much for giving me time to share my thoughts on SB 4 with you today. My name is Katherine and I am a voter in Douglas County. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote no on SB 4.

As the daughter of a 33-year US Army veteran, I strongly oppose this bill. Throughout my father's time in the Army, my family lived overseas in Germany for eight years. Additionally, my father was deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan, and Korea for a total of six years. He and my family have relied on mail-in ballots to participate in Kansas elections. The chances of our votes being rightfully counted will decrease without a grace period to allow for any unintended delays caused by the USPS. Frankly, I believe the grace period should be longer than the current three days and that our legislation should make it easier, not harder, for votes to be counted.

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 SB 4. Thank you