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Testimony to the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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PROPONENT, OPPONENT, or NEUTRAL: Opponent

ORAL or WRITTEN ONLY TESTIMONY: Written only testimony

Chair Thompson & members of the committee,

I am writing to voice my opposition to bill SB 4.

As you know, the current law allowing mail in ballots to be counted as long as they are postmarked by Election Day and received within three days after Election Day was put into place after a nearly unanimous vote in 2017. Further, military and provisional ballots are already allowed to be counted after this point, as they should be. Kansas voters have a right to have their vote count. Finally, when this was originally enacted, it was because there were no USPS distribution centers in Kansas, causing delays in Kansans' mail. Today, there are still no distribution centers and USPS delays continue to worsen.

As a Kansas native, I oppose SB 4 and ask you to vote no on bill SB 4.

With regard,
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