

February 25, 2025

Bill: HB 2106

Opponent Written Testimony Only

Conferee: Mary Stang

Representing: Self

To Whom This May Concern, Committee Chairman and Committee Members,

My name is Mary Stang and I am a lifelong resident of Sedgwick County. I am submitting my testimony as an opponent to HB 2106. I originally entered my testimony to the House as a proponent, but due to all the additional wording and changes in the original bill I can not get behind it now and have to change to an opponent. For one thing I feel that these new changes would add too much extra expenses to the budget that is already stretched too thin now. All the hoop jumping and to whom seems unnecessary to stop foreign nationals from contributing to the outcome of an election or an outcome to a new amendment to the Kansas Constitution. There needs to be one person or one committee of people who are looking into this and less red tape which is usually not that necessary. The Kansas Constitution needs not be changed and added to and everything added has to be Constitutional and stay in line with the original document that was fashioned to be a longstanding document. There should never be foreign anything meddling in our elections at all. All candidates or elected servants should have to sign and take an oath that this is not allowed and they will follow the law. If the law is broken then the one who violated and their cohorts need to be punished and not allowed to run or continue in the office they have been elected to do. I consider this treason when an American takes money from a foreign entity, government or individual with the intent of manipulating, swaying or interfering in our elections or our Law of the Land, the Constitution, or any other document or function of our government. I, also, feel that if an elected servant takes money from a foreign anything for any government issue then they should be taken out of office and tried in a court of law for treason. If we had harsh punishment for this kind of crime then there would be a deterrent to not commit this kind of crime and it needs to be stated and sworn to when they take an oath of office. This is also transparency when running as a candidate for an office that the money they receive as campaign funds be clear from foreign influence and when violated prosecuted in a court of law for campaign violations, too. No matter how you look at it taking money from any foreign entity, etc. is undermining our Republic and should be considered a form of treason. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary Stang

A Proud Kansan and an American who believes in protecting the Constitution