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Chairman Hilderbrand and members of the Committee:

This testimony is submitted on behalf of Park City Pride, Laura Jordan, the food pantry coordinator in opposition to Senate Bill 501. I am submitting this testimony in opposition to Senate Bill 501.

I am a lifelong Kansan and mother of 3 children. I'm fortunate my husband makes enough money to support our family, but there are many families within our state that are unable to do this. I volunteer with my local food pantry and we are serving families really struggling to make ends meet.

This SB 501 would adversely effect families by making the process overwhelming meanwhile creating unnecessary bureaucratic issues for state workers. Please consider something less chaotic for Kansans.

I ask for your thoughtful consideration and vote in opposition to this bill that will cost Kansas taxpayers tens of millions of dollars, increase food insecurity among working poor Kansas families and put additional pressures on community food pantries trying to help their neighbors.

Thank you,

Laura Jordan