



Date of Testimony: Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Bill Number: HB 2512 - Requiring advance voting ballots cast in person to be received by the county election office by 7:00 p.m. on the second day preceding the election.

Disposition: Neutral; Written Testimony

From: Cille King, Advocacy Chair; League of Women Voters Kansas

To: Chair Senator Thompson and Members of the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

The League of Women Voters of Kansas appreciate the opportunity to address the Senate Committee regarding ending early voting on the Sunday before the election.

The League is neutral on HB 2512 as it shortens the time that voters have to cast their ballot, but does add a required Saturday voting period in all counties. We feel that the additional requirement for a weekend period of early voting is the only reason we are neutral, instead of opposed.

We appreciate the compromise to require counties to hold early voting on the Saturday before the Tuesday election. Required Saturday early voting before the election would give those citizens who learn that they will not be available to vote on the Tuesday election day, a chance to cast their ballot.

We also appreciate that this will not take effect until 2025, giving voters time to learn the new deadlines and not making this change in a presidential election year.

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