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SB209 - Proponent

Honorable Chairman and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Johnson County KS. I have voted in elections since the year I turned 18 years old and have rarely missed one since. I have lived in KS for 20 years and have a vested interest in the welfare of this wonderful state.

I am a proponent of SB209. I have now witnessed a few candidates that I voted for win on election night only to lose days later by mail in ballots. I believe it fair to ask that all ballots be received no later than 7pm on election day. It was this way in the past and worked better than the system we have now.

- This bill would help alleviate some concerns of election fraud in KS and help promote trust in the system that has seemed to be in question over the last few years.
- It's common sense to have winners on election night so all citizens can move on swiftly from the elections as well as candidates.
- There has to be a deadline somewhere, so it should be election day.
- Kansas gives plenty of time for voters to receive, fill out, and return ballots. If not returned by the deadline, then the accountability lies with the voter.

Thank you for taking the time to hear my testimony.

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