

February 16, 2023

Subject: Senate Bill 208 – Remote Ballot Box

Disposition: Proponent

Testimony: Written only

Dear Chairman Senator Thompson and Members of the Committee,

I strongly urge your support to SB 208. At the 4-H Fairgrounds in Douglas County there was, and possibly still is, a ballot drop box being monitored by a deer camera. I do not feel that drop box is being properly monitored. There is a strong argument for the chain of custody not being maintained.

It is imperative all drop boxes within Kansas have 24-hour surveillance/monitoring. I feel the only way this can be achieved is for a drop to be located inside an election office. The remote ballot box would include signage regarding the same requirements for submitting an advance ballot at the ballot box. In addition, when the election office is closed there needs to be a camera monitoring the drop box 24/7.

I would appreciate your support on SB 208!

Sincerely,

Jannel Munk
Kansas Citizen