



Proponent Testimony of Catherine Gunsalus, State Advocacy Director
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House Bill 2020

Chairman Proctor and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of House Bill 2020. My name is Catherine Gunsalus, and I represent Heritage Action for America, a national grassroots organization with two million conservative activists nationwide, including thousands of Kansans.

House Bill 2020 is a common-sense solution to help ensure only United States citizens are included in Kansas' voter rolls.

Kansas constitutional qualifications to vote require being 18 years of age, a United States Citizen, and a resident of Kansas. It is also a federal felony under 18 U.S.C. § 1015 (f) for an alien to "claim that he is a citizen of the United States in order to register to vote or to vote in any Federal, State, or local election (including an initiative, recall, or referendum)." Another federal statute, 18 U.S.C. § 911, makes it a felony to "falsely and willfully" claim to be a citizen. Registering to vote for a state election while claiming to be a citizen violates both federal statutes. Voting by an alien is also a criminal violation of 18 U.S.C. § 611.

House Bill 2020 helps ensure the accuracy and integrity of our elections and voter rolls - making it easier to vote and harder to cheat in Kansas.

Heritage Action supports HB 2020 and we urge you to vote YES.

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