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Bill: HB 2054

Opponent Written Testimony Only

Conferee: Mary Stang

Representing: Self

To Whom This May Concern,

My name is Mary Stang and I am a lifelong resident of Sedgwick County. I am submitting testimony as an opponent to HB 2054. There is several things that I have to comment on on this bill. First and always all of our elections should always be for We the People to elect the servants. We the People are over all of our elected servants and the only two things over We the People is the Constitution, the Law of the Land, and God is over all of us. The parties are the division of We the People and keep our Republic divided. When we vote we are supposed to be choosing a man or woman that we think is qualified and will represent our voice in our government not what the parties decide for us to choose from. I see and feel that the parties are not representing the voice of the people fully and the way they are stifling our voice is by only backing the career servants that they know will win an election. This is why people like Jerry Moran and Tom Sawyer, for instance, have been in the Kansas government way too long and have made a lifelong job out of a short term position. I believe that there are many Kansas residents that would run for an office if they thought they had an inkling of a chance to get elected. Our parties should be excited to back a new person who has decided to step up to a huge job of representing the People, but unfortunately they are not. Putting more money into the parties hands is not the answer. I think it should be given to the persons campaign that is running and the government whether it is state or federal should never have their hands in our elections at all. This causes bias and cheated elections as we have seen happen in the 2020 election and the cheated Presidency of Donald Trump. This should never be allowed to happen again. I am also not for corporate donations and lobbyists that can sway elections and cause cheated and unfair elections. Anytime a person is kept from running as a candidate to a seat then the election is unfair and biased. How can the people have faith in one of the most important ways we have to have a voice and a seat at the table when it is run and controlled by the parties and the servants? I stand on no more party and government meddling by holding back potential candidates and funds which can and does sway the elections and helps to keep career servants in office. I, also, stand on no more large corporation or individual donations. This is a huge way to cause an election to be swayed and cheated and definitely unbalanced. Time for a change for the better.

Sincerely and thank you for your time,

Mary Stang