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Honorable members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of HB 2106, an important piece of legislation that seeks to strengthen our state's campaign finance laws, especially regarding the influence of foreign nationals in the political process. This bill addresses critical issues surrounding transparency and accountability in political campaigning, particularly in the context of proposed amendments to the Kansas Constitution.

As we know, the integrity of our democracy depends on ensuring that all contributions to campaigns are lawful and transparent. HB 2106 is designed to protect Kansas elections from foreign influence by clearly prohibiting contributions from foreign nationals, a provision that is particularly relevant in today's interconnected world. The bill also ensures that funds coming into campaigns are fully accounted for, with clear requirements for reporting contributions and expenditures, and holds campaign committees accountable for any violations.

This bill strengthens public trust by ensuring that only US citizens and lawful residents can fund efforts to amend our constitution. Regardless of any political beliefs, ALL Kansans should agree that our state constitution should be shaped only by those who live here.

Sincerely,

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