

Date – February 24, 2025

Bill number – SB 6

Opponent

Rand Simmons, private citizen

Chairman Proctor and Members of the Committee:

I oppose SB 6.

1. Others can and will make better factual arguments about Ranked Choice Voting. I will not repeat them.
2. It would be ideal if all the members of this committee actually understood what Ranked Choice Voting is. Having watched the Senate Committee hearing, I am not hopeful that this will be the case.
3. But there are some things I would like to note and some questions I would ask you to consider.
4. Please note that you are not being asked to pass Ranked Choice Voting or not.
5. You are being asked to **ban** Ranked Choice Voting.
6. Doesn't this seem like an extreme step?
7. Particularly, when Ranked Choice Voting already cannot currently be used per Kansas law.
8. So why are you being asked to ban an election method which is not in use?
9. Is it so dangerous that no one should even be able to try it?
10. Who is so worried that Ranked Choice Voting might be passed in the future?
11. **Who gains if a group does not even have to have a majority to govern the state?**