

To whom it may concern,

My name is Kathryn, I am a resident of Lawrence, KS. I am writing today to voice my opposition to the proposed amendment to the Kansas Constitution HCR5008.

This amendment would put all state agency policies under control of the legislature, stripping the power of our voices as citizens. All across our nation, agencies are able to set their own policies and are not beholden to the views and opinions of whichever political party has the majority in the legislature. This should remain the case in Kansas.

This bill is ineffective. Rather than trust agencies to manage their own policies, the legislature would instead be responsible. Agencies must remain independent from any political bias and retain control of their policies.

This bill is unconstitutional. It limits the power of the executive branch and undermines the will of the people who voted for the governor. Legislators are not subject matter experts and must not be given power to manage or overturn policies set by the agencies who devote their time and resources to a given subject.

Thank you for your attention on this matter.

Respectfully,
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