

Testimony in Support

SB 171, Help Kansas Vote Act

My name is Jeff Taylor. I have been married for 33 years to my wife Sandy and we have three grown children. I have been a business owner since 1975, an elder at Trinity Evangelical Church, and a City Commissioner since 1992. I have lived in Pratt since 1962 and have a vested interest in the community.

Reasons why I support the proposed Senate bill:

- To get more voters out for our municipal elections
- Cost savings in all 105 counties in Kansas
- More people will know who the city commission/council members are
- Allows high school students to become potential poll-workers and thus becoming more interested in voting
- Gives municipal government more exposure to the citizens it serves
- Does not let the local elections be over-shadowed
- Partisan election is no problem to me