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SB 365

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PRIVATE CITIZEN

Chairman Thompson and Members of the Committee, Thank you for allowing me to provide testimony on SB 365. My name is Kay Johnson, and I am a voter in Sedgwick County. I am writing today to encourage the committee to vote NO on SB 365.

I always participate in advance voting because I work, and it isn't possible for me to vote on Election Day. Sometimes I vote by mail and more often I vote in person on the Saturday before Election Day. When I vote by mail, I prefer to use a drop box. There has been a significant slowdown of services by the US Postal Service. I don't trust that my mail will be delivered on time for my ballot to be counted correctly. If my schedule permits, I prefer to advance vote in person at the Sedgwick County Extension Office the Saturday before Election Day. I want to keep both options open as my voting preference. I know many older people that can only vote by mail. Proposed changes to reduce the number of days available for advance voting or decreasing the number of days for ballots to be received by mail are inconsiderate and are a disservice to all citizens of the state of Kansas. Legislators and legislation should be making it easier to vote in Kansas NOT HARDER.

Thank you again for letting me express my position on how important it is to have a flexible voting process that includes keeping the three-day grace period for a mailed ballot to be received. Please vote NO on SB 365.