BILL NUMBER: SB 394

HEARING DATE: 2/15/2022

TESTIMONY BY (NAME): Robert Strathman

TESTIMONY TYPE: Written Only

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN and COMMITTEE MEMBERS,

I am supportive of **SB 394**:

"AN ACT concerning elections; relating to advanced voting ballots; requiring the return of such ballots by 7 p.m. on the day of the election; amending K.S.A. 25-1132 and repealing the existing section."

In 2020 we witnessed major leads disappear (e.g., >700,000 votes in PA's presidential race) in the days following "election-day", due to the on-going receipt and counting of Mail-in Ballots.

Two perceptions of fraud, perhaps real fraud, occurred in 2020, as it relates to mail-in ballots:

- 1. Because the score was known, a large number of ballots were being generated postelection day to flip the results, and
- 2. Election officials would not report how many ballots remained to be counted; thus, avoiding accountability and opening the door for enough fraudulent ballots to continue to pour in to flip the race.

Both issues, must be addressed. Thus, please alter the bill to allow the public to know how many ballots were mailed out and how many were received by 7:00 PM election day. It is common practice to report how many people voted in-person on election night; thus, this is a reasonable addition to SB 394.

This common-sense legislation is a must.