

Testimony of the Kansas Association of Counties to the Senate Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government Proponent Testimony on SB 351 • February 19, 2020

Madam Chair and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for allowing the Kansas Association of Counties to offer testimony in support of SB 351, which would ensure that the votes of voters whose names do not appear in the poll book and are otherwise eligible to vote are counted.

KAC supports fair and open elections. It is critical to the public trust in our election process that voters do not feel disenfranchised through the process. One way of ensuring that is by codifying the position that all voters that are eligible to cast a ballot in election know that their vote will be counted. This will assure voters that, so long as they are eligible to vote, their provisional ballot will be counted.

KAC supports SB 351 and would ask that the committee recommend SB 351 favorably for passage. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Jay Hall Kansas Association of Counties

