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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Chairman Olson  
Members of the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 15, 2022

Subject: SB 394 – Requiring all advance voting ballots be returned by 7 p.m. on the day of the election.

Senate Bill No. 394 (SB 394) would amend K.S.A. 25-1132, which was amended in 2021 HB 2183 during the 2021 Legislative Session. Last year's amendment struck language that had been in the statute granting the Secretary of State authority to extend the current deadline for return of advance voting ballots. That current deadline is the last delivery of mail by the United States Postal Service on the third day after the date of the election.

SB 394 would require all advance voting ballots be returned by 7 p.m. on the date of the election, which coincides with the close of polling locations on that day.

If enacted, SB 394 would become effective on July 1, 2022.