Chairman Francis, Members of the Transportation committee,

Re: **HB2222 - NEUTRAL** position from the Coalition of ignition Interlock Manufacturers and Kansas Ignition Interlock Companies Coalition

Chairman and members of the committee, my name is Kevin Barone with The Capitol Lobby Group. I have represented and worked with the Coalition of Ignition Interlock Manufacturers, which is the national group for IID manufacturers for almost 20yrs and the Kansas Ignition Interlock Companies Coalition, which is made up of the seven companies authorized by the State to offer, install, calibrate and help manage IIDs as part of the Kansas IID program.

As to HB2222 all the manufactures and the seven state authorized companies are Neutral on the bill. We understand there is a cost associated with having an IID program in the state, especially a program that is as strong, solid and thorough as the one in Kansas.

MADD ranks Kansas as one of the top three programs in the country. It is not by accident that Kansas is ranked so high, as early on with this program the Kansas Highway Patrol, Kansas Law Enforcement, the Kansas Department of Revenue Driver Control, the IID Manufacturers and the authorized local IID companies have partnered up and committed to working together to hold impaired drivers responsible and to provide safe roads for all Kansas residents.

In response to a question about is what is being asked in HB2222 appropriate and do any other states do something similar? The short answer is Yes.

I don't have the exact numbers but several states that have a IID program run at the state level, like Kansas, have some sort of a fee to help with cost of the program. Oklahoma charges a very similar fee, as do Tennessee and Virginia as well. It is not uncommon for a fee to be assessed.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this question and to state the neutral position of the IID manufacturers and the IID companies authorized in the State of Kansas, on HB2222

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