



TO: Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Eric B. Smith, Legal Counsel

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RE: Written Testimony on SB 16

Thank you for allowing the League of Kansas Municipalities to provide written support for SB 16. LKM strongly supports any effort to reduce and discourage criminal behavior in the State of Kansas. This bill provides the use of law enforcement tools similar to the federal Racketeer Influence and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) Act and will allow communities to utilize these procedures to combat repeat offenders. The reduction in criminal activity is a goal of all municipalities and therefore, the League of Kansas Municipalities supports SB 16 and urges the committee to report the bill favorably for passage.