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Senate Natural Resources Committee

Re: SR 1711 NEUTRAL Testimony

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Chairman Powell and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written neutral testimony on Senate Resolution 1711.

Kansas Farmers Union is one of the state's oldest active general farm organizations, representing Kansas farmers and ranchers since 1907. Our primary goal is to sustain, strengthen, protect, and enhance the economic interests and quality of life for family farmers and ranchers and their communities.

Kansas Farmers Union's position on SR 1711 follows:

"In managing animal pests, government agencies must strike a careful balance between protecting natural resources and minimizing detrimental effects on production agriculture. All pest management practices, regardless of the pest's endangered species status, should give landowner rights the utmost consideration, and control measures taken on private lands must be done with landowner permission."

I appreciate the opportunity to provide this testimony, and will be happy to answer questions at the appropriate time.

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