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Representative Sydney Carlin

Testimony in Support of HB 2062

House Judiciary Committee

Chairman Barker, Vice Chair Macheers, Ranking Member Carmichael, and members of the committee:

I appreciate the opportunity to come before you today to bring you testimony regarding HB 2062 concerning revenge pornography. Current Kansas statutes on privacy and blackmail make it a crime to post pictures or videos taken without consent.

My neighbor asked me to bring this bill to you because her friend had been devastated when photographs which were taken consensually within the safeguards of marriage, were later posted to a website in retaliation, following the breakup of the marriage. She will testify in a few minutes.

Sixteen states have laws against revenge porn. Please help us stop the posting and dissemination of revenge pornography in Kansas.

Mr. Chairman, I would be happy to take questions, however, I have brought witnesses that will give you information about this crime, how it has affected their lives, and the scope of the issue in Kansas.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sydney Carlin".

Sydney Carlin

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