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The Associated Landlords of Kansas (TALK) was created in 1981 by a group of people from across Kansas to Promote a strong voice in the legislature, a high standard of ethics, and provide educational opportunities for landlords. Some of our members helped create The Residential Landlord-Tenant Act of 1975, a model of fair law for both landlords and tenants. Our organization consists of members in 18 chapters across the state.

In this 2015 legislative session, we will continue to work for fair and decent housing for all.

SB 84 – Neutral Testimony With Some Reservations

While we generally disagree with any law that allows a governmental body to take away the property rights or ownership of any privately owned property, we recognize that there are a limited number of reasons when that is necessary. This Bill addresses one of them.

Our concerns are twofold.

- 1) The definitions of "Blight" and "Blighting Influence" are much too broad, and could easily be used in an unscrupulous manner. While we don't believe that there are any existing public bodies that would do this, the ability to do so must be addressed to remove that possibility.
- 2) The term "economic development" should be removed for the same reasons as listed in the explanation given in point #1 above.

Thank you for your attention to our concerns.

If we can be of help to you area concerning property rights, tenants, or landlords, please feel free to contact us at your convenience.

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ZONE 1

Landlords of Lawrence Inc.
Landlords of Johnson County, KS
Inc.
K.C.KS. Landlords Inc., serving
Wyandotte Co.
Eastern Kansas Landlords Assc.,
serving Miami Co.
Franklin Co. Landlords Assc.
Osage Co. Landlords Assc.

ZONE 2

Landlords of Manhattan Inc.
Labette County Landlords Assc.
Geary County Landlords Inc.
Shawnee County Landlords Assc.
Salina Rental Property Providers Inc.
South Central Kansas Landlord Assc.
Serving Sumner and Reno Counties

ZONE 3

Central Kansas Landlords Assc.
Bourbon County Landlords Assc.
Cherokee County Landlords Assc.
Crawford County Landlords Assc.
Montgomery County Landlords
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