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RE: Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Senate Bill No. 66 Hearing

Dear Chairman Ostmeyer and Honorable Members of the Committee:

Thank you for considering our opinion regarding the issue this bill contains.

I represent thousands of KSRA members and Kansas gun owners. We are a proponent of Senate Bill No. 66.

This is a very simple measure. Back in 2013 the Attorney General issued a formal opinion, #2013-014 saying that you could not post no concealed carry signs in just one area or single room of a public building and that if you wanted to post the no concealed carry signs you had to post the entire building.

We have heard from several municipalities who do not want to post the entire building. However, they do wish to post a courtroom or other specified area within that building. We support their desire to have the ability to post only a partial room or area of that building. Unfortunately, the 2013 Attorney General opinion prevents them from being able to make that choice.

KSRA supports changing the law to allow for a partial posting in those situations. We do however prefer that the remaining provisions regarding adequate security and the definition of a restricted access entrance be left intact for the partial area that is posted.

It is our understanding an inadvertent change in the language regarding restricted access entrances occurred in the drafting of this bill but that Senator Knox intends to bring an amendment which will rectify that error. Therefore we support that amendment as well.

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, thank you for considering our position in this most important matter. We respectfully urge that you adopt the appropriate amendment and vote in support of SB 66, recommend it for passage, and send it to the floor of the Senate for a debate and vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

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