

To: Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee

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RE: Support for SB 421 **(Written Only)**

I want to thank Chairman Ostmeyer and the Committee for allowing the League of Kansas Municipalities to provide written testimony in support of SB 421.

SB 421 would expand the use of restricted access entrances to help some of our members provide efficient access to public buildings. This bill establishes a local process for determining if individuals, other than employees, should be provided the ability to enter a public building through restricted access entrances.

SB 421 helps municipal leaders determine the use and access to local public buildings. The League supports this example of local control over the use of a local facility.

The Kansas League of Municipalities respectfully requests that the Committee pass out SB 421 to the full Senate with a recommendation for passage.