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Testimony on SB 362
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Chairman King and Members of the Committee,

My name is Leslie Moore and I serve as the Kansas Bureau of Investigation's Information Services Division Director. Thank you for the opportunity to offer oral testimony in support of SB 362.

This bill will allow the KBI to enter into agreements with other state agencies or municipalities that allow their centralized data to be searched and authenticated through the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS) portal. The KCJIS portal does not store any information. The KCJIS portal is a searching mechanism to reach out to systems to retrieve data back to the requestor as a "one stop shop". It is very similar to a Google search on the internet. Information is provided back to criminal justice agencies in almost real time without human intervention.

During their tenure, the Kansas DUI Commission identified several problems with the prosecution and tracking of DUI cases in the State, and subsequently made several recommendations. One of the issues identified was that prosecutors were required to search in many places to obtain the required documentation for court, which was very labor intensive and costly. The Commission recommended an update to the KCJIS portal which would make all of these records, including the driving history, accessible in a single location; this was a logical choice since prosecutors and other criminal justice agencies already used the KCJIS portal to search for other relevant types of records such as criminal history. Furthermore, the Commission recommended that prosecutors be able to submit a standardized combined record to the court as a certified record for the purpose of prosecuting DUI offenses.

The KCJIS portal was updated to allow driving records to be searched and retrieved in August 2014; however, prosecutors could not submit driving records to court unless the records were authenticated as true copies. Prosecutors still had to make an additional request to the Department of Revenue Motor Vehicle Records for an authenticated copy of the driving record. The full recommendation of the DUI Commission was not realized.

The KCJIS portal has the ability to provide a letter authenticating the results are true copies as received electronically from the record owner, in this case, the Department of Revenue Motor Vehicle Records. Passing of this bill will put the DUI Commission's full recommendation in effect and save prosecutors and the Department of Revenue Motor Vehicle Records money in labor, supplies, and postage. There would be no additional cost to the KBI for modification of the KCJIS portal since this functionality has already been built.

Thank you for your consideration.



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Also attached is the Kansas driving record from the Kansas Department of Revenue, Division of Vehicles. This record was accessed through the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS); however, the information is maintained by and in possession of the Division of Vehicles. For questions pertaining to the driving record please contact the Department of Revenue, Division of Motor Vehicles at (785) 296-3963.

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Sincerely,

Criminal History Records Unit Information Services Division Kansas Bureau Of Investigation

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