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To: Senate Judiciary Committee

Subject: HB2289 – Testimony in Favor

Senator Jeff King and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for allowing me to write in favor of HB2289. I have worked in the DUI field almost exclusively since 2010, and along the way represented hundreds of people dealing with the administrative consequences to a driver's license that come along with a DUI in the State of Kansas.

This bill seeks to bring fundamental fairness to administrative driver's license hearings in KS. As things currently stand a person must pay \$50 for their right to a hearing, the person can then be denied access to police reports, and the person isn't even allowed to argue if the stop was lawful or not. The ability to drive is a very important issue to many of my clients, and can often mean the difference between being able to keep a job / provide for a family, or not.

The bill would correct current omissions in the statute, which deny people a fair hearing. I ask that you support HB2289.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. C. Gigstad', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert C. Gigstad