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**Testimony to the Senate Judiciary Committee
In Support of HB2696
March 14, 2016**

Chairman King and Committee Members,

Our association membership includes not only municipal and county law enforcement executives, but also university law enforcement agency executives. We support HB2696 amending the jurisdictional authority of the law enforcement officers employed by universities as well as those amendments specific to law enforcement officers employed by the KU Med Center. This bill will clarify locations where university functions may occur which logically should be included in the university law enforcement agency jurisdiction. The KU Med Center specific provisions also clarify locations which logically they should have under their jurisdiction.

These amendments do not appear to impede the jurisdictional authority of the local law enforcement agencies where these jurisdictions co-exist. The university jurisdiction laws allow multiple jurisdictions to work closely together and in harmony where overlapping jurisdiction exists. Our agencies welcome this cooperation and the additional coverage by those officers is helpful to the municipal agencies in providing services in their broader jurisdictional areas.

We encourage you to recommend HB2696 favorably for passage.

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