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Testimony on SB 25

To

The Honorable Les Mason The Representative Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Statehouse, Room 112-N, Topeka, Kansas 66612

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SB 25 as amended would be a benefit to the Kansas State Park System as well as the Kansas economy. KARVC is in support of SB 25. We believe that the State Park fees presently are not in line with local private industry, creating a disadvantageous situation for privately owned RV parks, cabins, and motels. SB 25 as amended is a step toward resolving the disadvantage.

To benefit the Kansas economy by decreasing the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks reliance on funding from the Economic Development Initiatives Fund and other State revenue sources and to assistance in detouring State / Private Industry from competing on an uneven field, KARVC believes that this bill is suitable.

It is KARVC's belief that KDWP&T's process of public hearing is important, but believes that the process can be cumbersome when trying to respond to local and current markets and doesn't allow the flexibility for the State Parks to respond quickly to changing conditions.

Kansas Association of RV Parks and Campgrounds appreciates the opportunity to address the Committee on SB 25 as amended and appreciates the support of the Committee on the bill.

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