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Chairman Barker and members of the House Federal & State Affairs Committee,

The Kansas State Rifle Association (KSRA) fully supports the passage of HB 2220 in its current form. The purpose behind this legislation is similar in nature to a preemption law passed by the Kansas Legislature a few years ago that prevents local municipalities from imposing restrictive gun regulations that run counter to the freedoms protected by state law. That legislation helped to create uniformity in gun rights throughout the state, whether an individual traveled through Lawrence, Wichita, Dodge City, Chanute or any other municipality.

In the same manner, HB 2220 helps to ensure that Kansans can feel secure knowing that the same rights they have anywhere else in the state do not change the moment they cross onto a college campus. The legislation prevents any restrictive implementation of regulations pertaining to the ownership, possession, storage, and carrying or transporting of firearms, ammunition or components not already detailed in Kansas law.

Opponents of HB 2220 will state that the bill imposes upon local control of our college institutions. Our right to protect ourselves and property through the ownership of firearms is protected in the Second Amendment. It is an inherent, natural right. The argument of imposing upon local control falsely presumes that a governing body has the authority to decide how we exercise inherent, natural rights.

The Kansas State Rifle Association strongly encourages you to support this legislation for the uniformity of the rights of Kansans throughout the state. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,  
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