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**Testimony to the Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee
In Support of SB108 – Public Employer Liability Relating to Employees Carrying Concealed
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Chairman LaTurner and Committee Members,

Our associations view SB108 as a clean up to 2016 HB2502 passed last year. We believe this was an oversight in that bill.

One of the major concerns local government employers had with the bill passed last year was the exposure to liability from acts of employees who the employer did not choose to allow to carry a firearm but were forced to allow by the new law. It is reasonable to provide an exclusion to liability to the employers for acts by employees who choose to carry a firearm which is not done as a requirement for their position. This is further justified because the law prohibits local government from requiring training or qualifications prior to carrying the firearm while at work (see page 2 lines 14-16).

This liability exclusion is consistent with similar liability provisions in other concealed carry law such as KSA 75-7c20 subsections (e) and (f).

We strongly encourage you to pass SB108 favorably.

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