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Chairman Estes and Members of the Senate Federal & State Affairs Committee:

Two Kansas gun owners relied in good faith on Kansas law, and that law has failed them.

The KSRA worked tirelessly to pass the Second Amendment Protection Act (SAPA) a few short years ago.

Under SAPA, firearms, ammunition, and accessories that are made in Kansas and stay in Kansas are not subject to laws passed under the interstate commerce power of the federal government.

The wording of SAPA places a duty on the State to stand in the gap when her citizens are singled out for exercising their rights to manufacture and own firearms in Kansas. In the case of Shane Cox and Jeremy Kettler, confusion on interpretation of the law and a variety of other issues contributed to a situation where these gentlemen were left without this protection, and were even accused of violating another portion of Kansas law.

The Kansas State Rifle Association supports SB 254 as an attempt to clarify Kansas law on the issue. Kansas gun owners should never suffer the way Shane Cox and Jeremy Kettler have, simply for exercising their right to keep and bear arms in a way that they thought this legislature told them they could.

We ask for your support for SB 254 and similar legislation aimed at protecting Kansas gun owners.

Sincerely,

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