

Written Proponent Testimony HB 2420  
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Chairman Proehl,

Hello, my name is Joseph Bremer. I am a resident of Topeka, KS who owns a military vehicle. I first purchased my military vehicle about 5 years ago. As a military vehicle enthusiast I had plans to participate in AVMO group activities and parades. I have safely driven my military vehicle on many short trips. I have also taken it on long expeditions through 4 states. My military vehicle's top speed is around 65 mph, so on the interstate I safely stay in the right lane and faster traffic passes me. My vehicle has all the safety features of civilian automobiles of the same year, and more. My military vehicle was produced in 1987 for the United States military. It has road safe tires and suspension, visible turn signal and break lights, and seat belts. I have installed upgrades to the vehicle including modern LED headlights, reverse lights, license plate holder with lights, rear view camera, and four point harness seat belts. Military vehicle ownership is a hobby of mine that I like to enjoy on short drives around town. The state of Kansas has been unreasonably hostile to my ownership of a military vehicle. I believe the bill proposed that will allow vehicle inspection and registration of military vehicles is a big move forward for equality. My day job consists of performing on a high level as part of a surgical team. I would not drive a unsafe vehicle and put my career or family in jeopardy. As a Navy veteran I do not believe the public would pay for the design and production of vehicles that are not safe. In my opinion there is no reason why military vehicles would be denied on road registration. Thank you for entertaining my testimony.

Respectfully,  
Joseph Bremer