

Testimony to House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

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House Bill No. 2331

Dear Chairman Tarwater and Committee Members

I support HB2331.

In the last few years we have lost many opportunities because of the April draw for whitetail deer hunts in Kansas. Some out of state hunters do not plan their hunts a year in advance. They call in August-October wanting a fall deer hunting.

With the current system this is not possible. Some hunters will go to another state to meet their wants and needs. If a landowner can acquire a permit/tag for their specific property then I will be able to work with both the hunter and the property owner to arrange a quality hunt experience. This will be new money coming into the Kansas economy. Most deer hunters will leave about \$4,000 in Kansas.

That money will be spent several times and taxed each time spent.

HB2331 looks like a win-win-win for hunters, landowners, and the State of Kansas.

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