



# ASLA PRAIRIE GATEWAY

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RE: **Testimony in Opposition of SB10**  
Senate Commerce Committee  
January 27, 2021

Dear **Chairman Olson and Members of the Committee:**

Good Morning Mr. Chair and Members of the Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to address our concerns about SB10 on behalf of the Prairie Gateway Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (PGASLA). ASLA is an active advocate for the profession of Landscape Architecture at the local, state, and national levels on public policy involving licensure, the environment and sustainable design, livable communities, surface transportation, historic preservation, and storm-water management issues, among others. The Prairie Gateway Chapter represents over 160 licensed Landscape Architects throughout the State of Kansas and the western 1/3 of Missouri.

PGASLA opposes SB10. Reasonable standards for licensure of the allied professions are represented by Kansas State Board of Technical Professions (KSBTP), including standards for awarding reciprocity to those licensed elsewhere, have been carefully developed and implemented in the State of Kansas. This bill could have a negative impact on the ability of the KSBTP to maintain reasonable standards for licensure, in professions where licensure safeguards the public health, safety and welfare.

In conclusion, PGASLA is concerned that the proposed SB10 would add additional layer of oversight that would add additional costs and review of regulation that is presently working to keep safeguards for the public.

Respectfully Submitted,

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