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House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

Proponent, written testimony only, HB 2803

Respected Chair Carpenter and Committee Members,

I am a proponent of this bill, HB 2803, and want to thank you for holding a hearing on this bill.

Once again, I am disappointed we even need a bill that reinforces the rights we have as citizens of the United States, with the 2nd amendment giving us our gun rights. Being the "2nd amendment" vs the "last amendment" points to the importance and significance of the amendment.

We have the right to bear arms. No agency has the right to interfere but <u>all agencies have the duty to defend the 2^{nd} amendment and protect it</u>. This does not mean using state funds to enforce any gun control <u>against</u> law abiding citizens, however. <u>Using all means available</u> to our state to PROTECT our 2^{nd} amendment rights is what we expect as citizens of Kansas.

Please pass HB 2803 out of committee favorably and thank you again for conducting this hearing.

Most sincerely,

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