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Mr. Chairman and committee

I have spent 10 years coming here advocating for cannabis liberty. I have 1.4 acres available to me for production and as a citizen of Kansas, a sovereign state, I should have the reservation to plant any seed-bearing plant as a fundamental and natural right to be defended by those who appropriate my tax money and allow individual liberty, self-reliance, limited government and the free market to prevail, not fear and loathing like subjects under a king.

However, I support this bill because it is the most counter-intuitive thing to do so as not to give the big government prohibitionists more ammunition in their fight against this plant. It also seems that support for this bill will allow those legislators who walk between the raindrops additional fodder for reelection, while staying on the Senate President's good side, even though it does nothing for the people of Kansas nor the Constitution.

Meanwhile synthetic cannabinoids are being sold freely and unregulated in cannabis dispensaries all over Kansas, while this body is on some pilot rabbit trail and while I just want you to defend my right to grow my own substances, naturally, and leave me alone.

In conclusion, cannabis should not be prohibited, there should be no fingerprinting, no background checks, no special fees, and certainly no armed executive agents of the State Fire Marshal's office or any other government apparatus burdening farmers/citizens in their livelihood or their fundamental rights. We are still bleeding Kansas, medically or not, and it is time for a choosing.

Thank you

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