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To: Hon. Kellie Warren, Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee  
From: Steve Kearney, Executive Director  
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Re: Testimony in Support of SB 190

Chair Warren and Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

We write today in support of SB 190. In 2022, the Senate Judiciary passed out favorably, and the Senate unanimously passed, SB 457 which contained the same language as the bill before you today. We ask for the same result again in 2024.

SB 190 would authorize, via statute, a court to order a person charged with a felony to execute a waiver of extradition to Kansas as a condition of bond or release. Requiring such a waiver would save time and resources, particularly in those jurisdictions which border other states. Some of those jurisdictions spend time extraditing persons who in fact live just a few miles away. A waiver of extradition would facilitate the rapid return of these persons who could then begin or resume the process of resolving their cases. Extradition is a time-consuming process and delays cases unnecessarily. Passage of this bill would help cases move forward.

Thank you for considering our remarks.

Best,

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