

To: Senate Judiciary Committee
From: Eric B. Smith, Deputy General Counsel
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RE: Neutral on Substitute for HB 2289 **(Written Only)**

When the House Judiciary Committee held a hearing on HB 2289 the League of Kansas Municipalities testified in opposition to the passage of the bill as written. During the hearing HB 2289 was amended in accordance with the recommendations of the Judicial Council Criminal Law Advisory Committee.

The League supported the recommendations of the Judicial Council and the amendments made to the original bill removed our concerns. Based on the language of the substitute bill the League has changed from opposition to neutral.