

**To:** Senate Committee on Transparency and Ethics  
**From:** Spencer Duncan, Government Affairs Director  
**Date:** February 15, 2023  
**RE:** SB 63 – Campaign Contributions for Family Caregivers  
*Proponent – Written Testimony*

Thank you to the Chair and Committee for the opportunity to provide this testimony today.

The League of Kansas Municipalities works closely with cities across Kansas on a number of issues, from training programs to assisting elected officials.

All cities in Kansas are constantly in need of committed citizens willing to step up and serve their communities. Voters want their governing bodies to be representative of the communities they will serve. One area of representation not being fully met is those of parents, particularly between the ages of 25 and 40. This also includes grandparents raising their grandchildren. This is especially a problem in our smaller and rural communities.

Being an elected official is a time commitment, and some of that time means needing to know your children are being taken care of and in good hands. Any concern in this regard, at all, leads many to simply decide not to run for office.

SB 63 is not the end-all solution to this conundrum, but it is a tool that will help qualified individuals with children be more willing to serve their communities as elected officials.

We ask you to vote Yes on SB 63

I am always available to provide more information and answer any questions.



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