

Testimony on HB 2209  
to  
The Senate Judiciary Committee

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The Department of Corrections supports HB 2209 which governs the registration of offenders. HB 2209 was passed by the House by a vote of 123-0. The department's interest in HB 2209 is its provisions pertaining to inmates participating in work or school release who return to a correctional facility each day.

HB 2209 addresses the fact that inmates required to register are registered by the department upon their admission into a KDOC correctional facility. HB 2209 provides for the correctional facility to continue to enter the necessary information into the registration system for work or school released inmates who must return daily to the correctional facility. HB 2209 also requires the facility to provide a copy of the registration to the sheriff where the inmate is incarcerated, maintains work release employment or attends school. HB 2209 would negate the duplication of data entry into the registration system by both the department and the local sheriff.

The Kansas Sheriff's Association and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation support these provisions.

The department urges favorable consideration of HB 2209 as amended by the House Committee.