

February 17, 2021

Mr. Dan Kerschen  
Kansas Senator  
Topeka, Kansas  
RE: Senate Bill 261

Dear Mr. Kerschen:

I am contacting to ask you for your support on SENATE Bill 261. As a current employee of an asbestos abatement contractor, with over 30 years of experience in the asbestos abatement industry, it is my opinion that our industry as a whole needs oversight. It would benefit all parties involved to better fund the Air and Asbestos Division of the KDHE. Unfortunately, I feel there are contractors in this state that would, if given the opportunity, cut corners any way they could. The better funded the regulators are the better job they could do in curtailing this type of activity. I correspond and interact with the asbestos division with any asbestos abatement projects that are even slightly unusual or difficult. I have found their input both insightful and helpful. By allowing the Asbestos Division to keep funds derived from notification fees and or any fines that may be levied, that would defiantly help in keeping our public safe from would be unscrupulous contractors that may try to do business in Kansas.

If you require additional information or have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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