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Testimony on SB 226 Federal and State Affairs Committee

Concerning the Kansas Fireworks Act

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Dear Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee,

This bill will provide regulatory authority for the Fire Marshal's office with a process to; seize illegal fireworks, provide an appeal process under the Kansas administrative procedure act for violation, order the destruction of fireworks, and issue civil penalties which they presently lack.

When the original Fireworks act was written it was believed that some of the regulatory authority within the Fire Prevention act would be able to be used within the Fireworks act. It has been discovered that this was not the case and this bill is to help correct those mistakes and provide some additional regulatory authority.

The Kansas Fire Marshal's office formed an advisory committee comprised of members from the Kansas Fireworks Association which worked in partnership to draft SB 226.

Even thou we have a few remaining concerns with this bill, we have been assured by the Fire Marshal's office that those concerns are addressable or are already covered by a statue.

We urge the committee to favorably pass SB 226.