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Senate Federal & State Affairs Committee, Chair, Senator Ralph Ostmeyer, Vice-Chair, Senator Jay Emler, Ranking Member, Senator Faust-Goudeau

Good Morning Mr. Chairman and other distinguished Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to speak in support of SB-10.

It is my honor today to speak about the importance of passing SB 10. This bill is intended to make government more open and accessible to the people of Kansas. Specifically the legislation addresses the Kansas Open Meetings Act and the Kansas Open Records Act.

The Kansas Open Record Act allows for governmental institutions to charge excessive fees when it comes to requests. This legislation will address that issue as well as requiring minutes to be taken at any meeting where the Kansas Open Meetings Act applies. I urge you to support the favorable passage of this bill.

Respectfully,

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Kansas Senator, District 13