

**To:** Chairman Alley and Members of Federal and State Affairs  
**From:** Terry Humphrey, Lobbyist, for Humane Society of the United States and Stray Dog Policy  
**Re:** Opposition to SB 84  
**Date:** February 11, 2021

I am Terry Humphrey, lobbyist for the Humane Society of the United States and Stray Dog Policy. I am here today asking you to amend SB 84 on behalf of a coalition of 39 animal welfare organizations across Kansas listed below.

These organizations do not oppose sports wagering legislation **unless** it permits wagering on greyhound races. As written, SB 84 only excludes sports betting on greyhound races that occur in Kansas and that are regulated by the Kansas Parimutuel Racing Act.

The bill should be amended to prohibit betting on greyhound races anywhere. The sponsors of the bill agree that this would be a friendly amendment.

To ensure that there is no sports wagering on greyhound races anywhere, we ask that you adopt the following amendment on page 17 in Section 17(jj)(2) to read:

(jj) (2) "Sporting event" does not include any greyhound race ~~that is subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-8801 et seq., and amendments thereto;~~ or any sporting or athletic event played by individuals that are at the high school level or below unless the majority of the participants in the sporting or athletic event are 18 years of age or older.

We respectfully request that you amend SB 84 as outlined above to prohibit betting on greyhound racing. Please note that in the 2020 session, we requested this amendment for a similar bill, and the Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee adopted that amendment.

Thank you.  
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Stray Dog Capital  
Humane Society of the United States  
Kansas Animal Control Association  
KC RE-GAP – Greyhound Rescue, Kansas City  
Humane Society of Greater Kansas City  
Great Plains SPCA – Merriam  
Leavenworth Co. Humane Society –  
Leavenworth  
Southeast Kansas Humane Society – Pittsburg

SEK Animal Advocates Group – Pittsburg  
Allen County Animal Rescue Facility – La  
Harpe  
Animals With Our Love (AOL) – Independence  
Wichita Animal Action League – Wichita  
Beauties & Beasts – Wichita  
Companion Animal Protection Society of  
Kansas – Wichita  
Riley County Humane Society – Manhattan

Helping Hands Humane Society – Topeka  
Russel T. Reitz Animal Shelter – Manhattan  
We are a Grateful Sanctuary (WAGS) –  
Bel Plaine  
SRL – All Breed Dog Rescue – Minneapolis  
Emporia Animal Shelter – Emporia  
Humane Society of the Flint Hills – Emporia  
Prairie Paws Humane Society – Ottawa  
Always & Furever Midwest Animal Sanctuary –  
Miami County  
Heart of Jackson Humane Society – Holton  
Brown Co. Humane Society – Hiawatha  
Proud Animal Lovers (PALS) – Parsons  
Pawnee Co. Humane Society – Larned  
City of Arma – Animal Control – Arma  
Humane Society of the High Plains – Hays  
Keller K9 ResQ – Quinter  
Cowley Co. Humane Society – Winfield  
CCARE – Clay Center  
Kingman County Humane Society – Kingman  
Pals Animal Rescue, Inc. – Wichita  
Olive's Hope – Pleasanton  
Wellington Humane Society – Wellington  
Western Kansas Animal Alliance, Inc. – Hays  
Golden Belt Humane Society – Great Bend  
Western Plains Animal Refuge – Hays