

## **HB2011**

### **Lawrence Hannan Proponent**

Dear Committee Members,

I write to you to urge your support for HB2011. Our Kansas veterans have stood up when called, something less than 1 percent of our population are willing to do. As you may know, Army recruiting in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 fell 15,000 short nationwide, reaching only 75% of the recruiting goal, and providing incentives to Kansans to join the military, and incentives to stay in our great state after service, adds to the tax paying population of our state. In addition to the Army, the other services are well behind their normal delayed entry enlistment quotas for FY 2023.

Kansas cannot change gross pay which is determined by Congress, **but our Kansas legislature can—and should— raise take home pay** for military families, and more take home pay means more secure military families are in Kansas. Any reduction in income tax by the state will be at least partially offset by higher sales and use tax receipts.

There is no better time than right now to support the troops and their families by raising take-home pay.

Please support HB2011. And thank you for your service to our great state.

Sincerely,

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