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Neutral Testimony on SB 226 and SB 227

Chairman Ostmeyer and Senators of the Committee,

I am Philip Bradley representing the Kansas Fireworks Assn. We are the businesses and individuals who support the safe and responsible use of fireworks. We are legally engaged in the pyrotechnic industry, supply consumer fireworks and we perform fireworks shows in compliance and safety in KS.

## We support SB 226 and SB 227 and ask that you pass them favorably.

AS we previously testified, we have been working with the KSFM for almost a year on these issues you are hearing today. I have with me experts in this very specific field and they are available to answer any questions you have about the details of this bill. We have agreed to stay neutral on this bill. In the negotiations on SB 226 we had a major concern that were only partial amended, but we were assured by current KSRM staff that they will be cognizant of our concerns and will make sure that we will not have to worry. That concern was over the process, the appeal process under the Kansas administrative procedure act for violation, and issuance of civil penalties which are presently lacking. In SB 227 it exempts NFPA 1123, 1124, and 1126. We ask if it should include The Fireworks Act as well.

We have worked very diligently to come to compromises and agreements. We are hopeful that this will allow the needed authority without sacrificing the abilities for due process and/or any rights of Kansans.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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