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Testimony to the Senate Committee on Judiciary in Support of HB2523 March 13, 2018

Chairman Wilborn and Committee Members,

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office supports HB2523 — Amending qualifications for office of sheriff.

This bill holds a sheriff to the same standards as other law enforcement officers in relation to their background. Under current law, a person serving as a deputy sheriff or police officer would not be able to hold the office of sheriff if they had committed certain misdemeanors within the last five years. This bill corrects that inconsistency.

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office would ask the committee to report the bill favorably for passage.

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