HB2657 02-15-22 Nick Reinecker Opponent House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Chair. Rep. Stephen Owens

Mr. Chairman and Committee

I am concerned about the codification of the definition of "violent felony" in subsection (z) (3), page 10, starting at line 22 and am providing narrowly scoped opponent testimony based on subsection (z) (3) (U) and (AA) as it pertains to (U), regarding cannabis, the natural plant.

(U) any felony offense described in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 21-5703, 21-5705 or 21-5706, and amendments thereto;

21-5705. Unlawful cultivation or distribution of controlled substances. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to distribute or possess with the intent to distribute any of the following controlled substances or controlled substance analogs thereof:

21-5706. Unlawful possession of controlled substances.

I would be happy to change from opponent to proponent if Cannabis, the natural plant and regardless of THC content, was de-scheduled from the state Controlled Substances Act.

Thank You.

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