



Kansas State Lodge

Fraternal Order of Police

Testimony to the
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Senate Bill 395
Casey Slaughter, President Kansas State Lodge Fraternal Order of Police
Testifying in Opposition
February 1, 2022

Chairman Warren, Vice-Chair Welborn, Ranking Member Haley and Members of the Committee,

I am Casey Slaughter, President of the Kansas State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police. On behalf of the 4,200 members of the largest fraternal police organization in Kansas thank you for allowing my written testimony to be entered into the record in opposition to Senate Bill 395.

Senate Bill 395 would prohibit a Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks law enforcement officer to conduct surveillance on private property unless authorized by a warrant.

Our concerns about Senate Bill 395 include:

- The proposed legislation lacks clarity about the meaning of “conducting surveillance on private property”.
- The proposed legislation directly contradicts the mission of Wildlife and Parks and the North American Model of Conservation and will have a severe negative impact to the wildlife of Kansas.
- Would severely impact law enforcement's ability to protect private property of others from those who conduct illegal activities such as trespassing and criminality hunting/fishing/furharvesting.
- Creates disparity between other law enforcement agencies and officers of Wildlife and Parks.

Thank you for considering this written testimony. We oppose passage of Senate Bill 395.

Sincerely,

Casey Slaughter