

HB 2803 Proponent Testimony

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I, Mark A. Powls, 207 E. 4th Avenue, Garnett, Kansas 66032 (Anderson County, KS) request that HB2803 be ratified into Kansas law pursuant to declaration 4 and 20 of our Kansas Constitution and as a reminder to the U.S. general government, that it can "arm" persons of our State but it cannot disarm Kansans pursuant to "**the**" constitution every federal employee and elected federal official must obey.

It amazes me that we Kansans must ratify bills that reinforce that which is already protected in our own state constitution because of the lawlessness and unconstitutional behavior of a fully usurped and out of control U.S. general government.

HB2803 is actually not necessary because our state government is bound, by oaths, to protect the innate rights listed in the Kansas Bill of Rights. The U.S. general government has no authority or constitutional jurisdiction in the internal affairs of Kansas, nor does it have a delegated power to violate any of the protected rights in our Kansas constitution.

The U.S. constitution was written and ratified for those elected **to serve in the U.S. general government, not for the states to obey**, except in the case of foreign objects and the regulation of a fair and open trade between the several states in our voluntary union where the U.S. law is supreme if pursuant to the limited and defined powers within its U.S. constitution.

Kansas has a preamble, an ordinance stating what can be taxed to support itself, 20 protected rights in its Bill of Rights, and its articles. Within the borders of the State of Kansas, this is the "supreme law of the land", not the U.S. Constitution.

My only concern is that I rarely, if ever, hear anyone mention the 4th declaration in our Kansas Bill of protected Rights. If we understood the retained power and constitutional jurisdiction of our own Kansas government over the U.S. general government within the framework of this federal republic, HB 2803 would not be necessary. However, it is not fully understood and therefore I strongly encourage we pass HB2803 in order to send a reminder to those serving in the U.S. general government to obey what their 2nd Amendment requires and to avoid any violations of the innate, protected Rights listed in our Kansas Bill of Rights.

I would like to add that the U.S. 2nd Amendment protects no one's Right to keep and bear arms. WE protect that right and it is given to us by our creator, not man. The right to self preservation and self defense, by any means necessary, is a natural, innate right that must never be violated by any person or government entity, if we are to remain liberated in this world.

Respectfully Yours,



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