

Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs  
Thursday, April 6, 2017  
Testimony in support of SB 86

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

**GOOD DAY TO YOU. MY NAME IS VICKIE FROST.**

TODAY I SPEAK AS A FRIEND OF HAROLD & ALBERTA LEACH,  
AND FOR THE MANY FRIENDS OF THE LEACH FAMILY  
WHO COULD NOT ATTEND TODAY'S HEARING,  
BUT ARE WITH US IN SUPPORT.

**WE, TOO, WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK  
TODAY.**

WE STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH HAROLD AND ALBERTA LEACH  
IN THEIR STEADFAST SEARCH FOR THE TRUTH OF WHAT HAPPENED  
TO THEIR SON RANDY ON THAT FRIDAY IN APRIL IN 1988,  
AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE WILL ALWAYS BE THERE WITH THEM  
FOR THE FIGHT TO FIND RANDY LEACH.

**WE BELIEVE IN HAROLD AND ALBERTA'S STATEMENT TODAY  
AS IF IT IS OUR OWN.**

***WE WHOLE-HEARTEDLY BELIEVE THE LEGISLATURE SHOULD USE ALL  
IT'S UNDERSTANDING AND POWER TO PASS SB 86  
TO HELP GIVE RESOLVE TO HAROLD AND ALBERTA LEACH.***

**THEY HAVE STATED THEIR EMOTIONAL PLEA**

**AND WE WILL STATE OUR SUPPORTIVE PLEA.**

**WHILE WE CAN AND WILL ONLY ADDRESS THAT TOP 10% OF  
'THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG' INVOLVING RANDY'S CASE,  
WE WILL ADDRESS THAT 90% 'BELOW THE SURFACE' ISSUES  
WITH ONLY ONE COMMENT.**

**WE HAVE BEEN WITH HAROLD AND ALBERTA LEACH DURING  
THEIR LONG, PAINFUL, FRUSTRATING, AND FRUITLESS JOURNEY,  
AND AT THIS POINT WILL STOP AT NOTHING  
TO AFFECT RESOLVE FOR THE CASE AND FIND RANDY.**

**WE HAD SHORT NOTICE OF THIS HEARING SO WE DIDN'T HAVE TIME  
TO GATHER ALL OF THE SUPPORTERS FOR THIS HEARING,  
BUT THEY WILL HELP TO LET YOU KNOW THAT  
HAROLD AND ALBERTA LEACH ARE NOT ALONE  
IN FINDING RESOLUTION FOR THEIR SON, RANDY.**

**AFTER NO SUPPORT FROM LOCAL AND STATE TO ESTABLISH  
AN INQUEST OR INQUISITION, IN 1990, HAROLD AND ALBERTA LEACH  
PUT FORTH A PETITION ASKING FOR AN INQUEST OR INQUISITION  
THAT HAD OVER 12,000 SIGNATURES OF SUPPORT,, STATE-WIDE.  
THIS PETITION WAS SENT TO 9 ESTABLISHED ENTITIES  
WHO MOST STATED THEY SUPPORTED THE PETITION,  
BUT STATE AND LOCAL SURPRISINGLY,  
FLATLY DENIED THEIR REQUEST.**

**THIS IS ONLY ONE EXAMPLE OF THE FRUSTRATION AND DISMAY**

HAROLD AND ALBERTA LEACH HAVE HAD TO ENDURE.

THIS CASE OF RANDY'S HAS NOT LACKED MEDIA ATTENTION,  
PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR ATTENTION, SOCIAL MEDIA ATTENTION, ETC.,  
BUT THE CASE STILL REMAINS UNSOLVED.

THIS CASE OF RANDY'S HAS NOT LACKED THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE  
WHO COULD HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED UNDER OATH  
FOR VITAL INFORMATION TO SOLVE THE CASE AND FIND RANDY.

AT THIS POINT, AFTER 29 YEARS, THERE IS NO VALID REASON WHY  
HAROLD AND ALBERTA LEACH SHOULD NOT HAVE ACCESS  
TO THEIR SON'S FILES TO HELP RESOLVE THE CASE  
AND FIND THEIR SON.

\*\*WITH OUR EXPERIENCES WITH THIS CASE, WE FEEL THIS WOULD NOT  
BE AN IMPOSITION UPON THE STATE OR LOCAL AGENCIES IF THIS  
CLAUSE OF SB 86 TO THE KANSAS OPEN RECORDS ACT IS PASSED.

\*\*\*WITH WHAT OUR ADVISORS HAVE STATED TO US,  
WE FEEL THERE SHOULD BE NO IMPOSITION  
ON STATE OR LOCAL STAFF IN OUR OBTAINING THESE FILES.  
*AS PART OF ANY RECORDS DEPARTMENT, THIS IS JUST PART OF*  
*THEIR JOB – RETRIEVING AND PRODUCING RECORDS PER REQUESTS.*

\*\*\*\*WE BELIEVE THERE WOULD BE NO HARM

**TO OPEN THESE RECORDS OF CASES OVER 25 YEARS,  
AND WE BELIEVE THERE WOULD BE NO DANGER  
TO INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED OR NAMED IN THESE CASES,  
AS EXAMPLED IN HAROLD AND ALBERTA LEACH'S CASE  
BECAUSE THEY HAVE HAD ACCESS  
TO NAMES AND STATEMENTS  
BUT HAVE NOT TAKEN ACTION AGAINST THESE INDIVIDUALS.**

**IN CLOSING, WE ALL CANNOT EMPHASIZE ENOUGH  
THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING YOUR SUPPORT  
TO APPROVE THIS SB 86.**

**THANK YOU AND WE ALSO PRAY FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**