

House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Honorable J. Russell Jennings, Chair

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Testimony on Behalf of the

Kansas District Magistrate Judges Association

Written Testimony In Support of HB 2264

The Kansas District Magistrate Judges Association (KDMJA) participated in an informal working group with Chairman Jennings, Chairman Finch, and representatives from judicial and executive organizations. That working group developed some pragmatic changes to the current juvenile justice code. Those suggestions are included in this bill.

With the assumption that the community based programs and services required in the recently updated law are fully funded and fully staffed and trained, we recommend this bill be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Legislative Chair, KDMJA