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Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Kansas State Rifle Association, thank you for the opportunity to testify in conditional support of H.B. 2042. This legislation was brought forward by the Kansas Attorney General's office in 2017 in order to address a concealed carry reciprocity issue.

During the current legislative session, the bill was amended by the House of Representatives to allow for Kansans aged 18 to their 21st birthday to carry concealed upon taking an approved class, passing a background check and receiving a concealed carry permit issued by the Office of the Attorney General. The Kansas State Rifle Association supports this amendment.

The bill was further amended by the House adding a provision that would essentially allow public universities, technical schools and community colleges to disallow the carrying of a firearm without a concealed carry permit. The Kansas State Rifle Association strongly opposes this language and requests that the Committee remove this provision.

Provided that the aforementioned language relating to public universities, technical schools and community colleges is removed the Kansas State Rifle Association would urge the Committee to report H.B. 2042 favorable for passage as amended.

Very truly yours,

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