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In Opposition

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Dear Chairman Bud Estes and the members of the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs:

I am writing to voice my opposition to Concealed Carry bill, HB2042.

Lowering the age to 18 for a person to carry a concealed firearm would be a big mistake. In 1984, the age to purchase alcohol was raised to 21 from 18 by the Kansas Legislature to reduce drunk driving. This was done to protect those under 21 as well as the rest of the public. The proposal to lower the concealed carry age would be akin to lowering the age to purchase alcohol or cigarettes. Such a move will adversely impact the health and safety of all Kansans.

I ask that you oppose HB2042.

Thank you for your consideration,

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