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SUBJECT: SB 399, Establishing the Kansas Business Workers and Community Partnership Act.

Mr. Speaker and members of the committee,

My name is Paul Degener and I appear before this committee as a concerned citizen in opposition to SB 399.

This bill sounds very much like Obama's back door approach to amnesty for illegal aliens. I have to ask myself if this bill is the result of another case of extortion, bribery or threats by the federal government to withhold taxpayer's funds unless the state of Kansas passes similar legislation in support of Obama tyranny.

What is it we do not understand about illegal? Illegal aliens came into this country illegally and as a result they broke our laws yet this piece of legislation rewards them as does the federal government.

Page 1, line 12, Sec 2: The goals of this act include, but are not limited to:

(d) providing a lawful work force for Kansas industries.

By passage of this bill we are going to make illegal aliens (law breakers) into a lawful work force. Just how does that work?

Page 1, line 24, Sec. 3. (a) The secretary shall develop and administer a program to support noncriminal undocumented aliens.

These people committed a crime when they crossed the border illegally; now, all of a sudden they are non-criminals.

Definition of crime:

- 1: an act or the commission of an act that is forbidden or the omission of a duty that is commanded by a public law and that makes the offender liable to punishment by that law; *especially* : a gross violation of law
- 2 : a grave offense especially against morality
- 3 : criminal activity <efforts to fight *crime*>
- 4 : something reprehensible, foolish, or disgraceful <it's a *crime* to waste good food>

On page 1, line 36 we talk about industry certification and significant worker shortages. In the past as well as currently we continue to hear the same old story that the illegals do jobs that U.S. citizens refuse to do. One part of the equation that is left out is what the employers are offering in wages. Can our citizens survive on wages paid to illegal aliens? I don't have the answer to that question, but I do think it is something that needs to be taken into consideration.

On page 2, line 21, (b) A program participant who meets the eligibility requirements of subsection (a) may apply, if otherwise eligible, for a Kansas driver's license

I don't know what the number is, but the reports of U.S. citizens be killed by drunken illegal aliens is unacceptable, and we want to allow them to have a Kansas Driver's license? I don't think so.

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And I want to add, I find fault with the federal government more than I do with the illegal aliens.

The federal government is in violation of Article IV, Sect 4 of the U.S. Constitution: SECTION 4. The United States shall guarantee to every state in the Union a republican form of government, and shall protect each of them against invasion; ...

We are being invaded and the federal government does nothing. We can provide troops to just about every country in the world and fight in no-win wars but we cannot protect our own borders.

It is no wonder we have such a problem with illegal aliens in this country. We need to stop coming up with all of these schemes that draw illegal aliens into our state. Our country and our state are in serious trouble, and in my opinion it is by design, by both parties at both the federal and the state level. I urge you to vote no on this piece of legislation.

I will stand for questions.