

Date: March 8, 2017

To: Senate Ethics, Elections and Local Government Committee

From: Cindy Green, Deputy Director

Re: Support of HB 2094; Oral and Written

Chairwoman and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the city members of the League of Kansas Municipalities, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 2094. The bill amends 12-2908 by adding additional entities to the definition of "municipality".

The League's Statement of Municipal Policy states "We support the principle of voluntary cooperation among all levels of government." Numerous cities currently have agreements between them to share or contract for services. Examples include public safety and public works. Expanding the definition of municipality allows additional levels of governments to work together in providing services.

The House passed HB2094 unanimously. The League appreciates your consideration of HB 2094 and asks you to support the adoption of HB 2094 and send to the full Senate for their approval.