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**Testimony to the Senate Judiciary Committee
In Support of HB2069 – Law Enforcement Training Act
March 15, 2017**

Chairman Wilborn and Committee Members,

Our associations support HB2069 as requested by the Kansas Commission on Police Officer Standards and Training. This bill will allow the Commission to consider an officer or applicant's "deferred judgement agreement" the same as diversions. A "deferred judgement agreement" is used in other states and is essentially the same as a Kansas diversion, but with different procedures. Diversions are currently included in the CPOST statutes, but deferred judgement agreements are not.

The Kansas Commission on Police Officer Standards and Training operates to assure integrity, professionalism, and training standards for Kansas law enforcement officers. The amendments to this bill will assist them in meeting these goals.

We urge you to recommend this bill favorably to pass.

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