



PROPONENT WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

February 11, 2019

Re: HB 2206

House Judicial Committee

Dear Chair Patton and Members of the Committee:

I am writing today to ask that you **SUPPORT HB 2206** which would change the bonding and cost requirements for animals taken into custody under a violation of animal cruelty.

My name is Randi Carter and I am a Board Member for Beauties and Beasts, Inc., a rescue located in Wichita, Kansas. Beauties and Beasts, Inc. is a non-profit rescue with more than 60,000 supporters. We rescue Death Row animals at shelters in danger of euthanasia and place them in adopter or foster homes. We do not discriminate against breed, age, medical or behavior ... we love them all the same.

We work closely with law enforcement on hoarding, dog fighting and animal cruelty cases. We ask you to please support this bill to ensure that the cost of caring for abused animals is placed on the abusers, not municipalities and shelters.

We recognize the importance of a good bonding and forfeiture law that covers the cost of care and how that affects any animal shelter caring for seized animals and the wellbeing of the animal itself. The proposed bill contains changes that would increase compliance and enforcement more effectively for all.

I urge you to **SUPPORT HB 2206**.

Respectfully,

Randi Carter  
Board Member, Beauties and Beasts, Inc.  
Wichita, Kansas