

January 26, 2022

The Honorable Chair Representative Stephen Owens
Correction and Juvenile Justice and Joint Committee,
Vice-chair Kansas Criminal Justice Reform Commission
Kansas Capitol Office

The Honorable Speaker of the House Ronald Ryckman
Kansas Capitol Office

The Honorable Ty Masterson
President of the Kansas Senate
Kansas Capitol Office

Re: Conferee Testimony on HB 367 HB 2200 January 27, 2022, 1:30 pm
Sedgwick County Lofton Law and WRAP and PRONE

Dear Chairman Stephen Owens, Speaker of the House Ronald Ryckman, and President of the Kansas Senate Ty Masterson:

Kansas is a home for all children where they are comforted, protected, and kept safe as they grow into adults. These are our children and they need your help.

Make no mistake; there is a public outcry for a LOFTON LAW to prevent another youth killed as Cedric Lofton was. I speak for Voters and Constituents.

On behalf of our Children of Kansas, we urge that the evidence-based testimony of Commissioner Jim Howell become law for the children of Kansas.

Together, the Lofton Law WRAP and PRONE testimony produces a valid law. Mitigating Kansas children's deaths by removing punitive restraints that lead to criminal investigations helps to protect all children outside of their homes.

Kansans do not believe in killing children and respect the common ground to keep all of our children alive. We support you to run forward without delay and pass the Lofton Law.

The evidence-based testimony of HB 367 will have a compelling effect on the safety of all children of Kansas growing into adults and will lessen the burden of the State's safety net.

Cc: The **Lofton Law and WRAP PRONE Research and Commentaries** paper submitted into the file