Dear Senator,

I'm writing to Oppose Passage of SB 135!

There are dozens and dozens of reasons to keep marijuana OUT of Kansas.

Anyone living near a border state right now knows marijuana wrecks a state, the culture, their society, every aspect. We live in western Kansas and avoid traveling to Colorado any more, if AT ALL possible. We used to love going there. So many beautiful things to see...... Now, a great percentage of their workforce is stoned; roads are in the worst condition they've been in for decades; safety is greatly compromised --- including, greatly increased fatality rates on the highways. It is a mess!

We do not want that in Kansas.

Then, look at law enforcement agency after agency standing against legalizing marijuana. Our sheriff, as a neighboring county to Colorado, has testified many times to the issues it brings our county! (The problems don't stay on their side of the state line.)

We know from state after state, that "medical marijuana" is a joke; a red herring; a lie being told by the huge marijuana industry that has only \$\$\$\$\$ signs in their eyes! This is their plan: trick a state into passing medical marijuana and proceed from there to recreational and every other use/abuse. That is the proven pattern. In addition, there are medical prescriptions for every condition being ployed by the marijuana industry --- and it is an industry.

Even in nursing school many years ago, we were taught the dangers of marijuana. Now, it is reported to be multiple times stronger and more dangerous. Why would we subject our citizens --- and especially our children to that?? And, yes, they will be aiming for our children.

There is no reason to bring this plague to Kansas!

## I'm sure you've seen the statistics:

- When California legalized Medical Marijuana, traffic deaths increased 42% the first year when tested they found illegal drugs and marijuana were the reason.
- In Colorado and California now 1 in 4 traffic deaths are attributed to Marijuana.

- Workplace issues occur when employees show up to work intoxicated and unable to perform their tasks
- Sheriffs, Police and FBI have testified against this as dangerous
- The landscape of our state will change dramatically. In Bartlesville, Oklahoma a town of 37,000, there are 15 dispensaries. In front there is a small sign, like a political sign that says, "Get your Medical Marijuana Card here: \$25.00

We DO NOT want this for our state.

I am asking you to stand firm and not fall prey to the pressures of big lobbyists, with their fancy talk. It is a lie.

We want Kansas to stand tall; to be a shining light; to promote health and wholesomeness and families!

Please stop this bill now. Kill it forever!

Sincerely, Roberta Bretz