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To: Whom It May Concern

RE: Deferred Retirement Option (DROP) and Earlier Vesting Legislation

This letter is intended to show support for HB 2509 that extends the Deferred Retirement Option (DROP) to all KP&F employees. The KSAFC also supports changing the vesting requirements for KP&F employees from 15 years to 10 years. The Kansas State Association of Fire Chiefs has reviewed and discussed the proposed changes and stand in full support. We believe these changes will continue to play a role in retaining and recruiting our valuable members.

We stand ready to assist this important effort and to support our other public safety partners.

Respectfully,

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