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RE: SB146

Good morning Chairman, and members of the Transportation Committee. My name is Kevin Barone and I represent the Coalition of Ignition Interlock Manufacturers, this is a group of the Ignition Interlock companies that collectively work across the country as well as the Federal level on DUI bills. I am here today to support SB146.

Kansas is one of the top 5 states in the country for its DUI laws and the number of people using ignition interlocks as required by law. SB146 moves the oversight of the Kansas IID program to the Kansas Highway Patrol from the Kansas Department of Revenue. We have been working along these lines for the last few years already and this just codifies the current practice. We also believe the current practice has been very successful for both those that have an IID installed and for the manufacturers of those IIDs. All testing to ensure the iid is compliant with Kansas law is done through the KHP and has been very successful. The relationships between the industry and the KHP is strong and positive on all sides. It has been a great move so far and only looks to continue, with the passage of SB146.

Thank you, Chairman and members of the committee for allowing me this time. I ask that when the time comes you pass SB146 out of committee favorable and allow a great working program to continue working. I will stand for questions when it is appropriate.

Thanks,

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