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HB 2476

Proponent

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On behalf of Myself and Convention of States Kansas
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Chairman Carpenter and Members of the Committee:

HB 2476 seeks to protect Kansans' fundamental right of property in land by requiring the approval of the State legislature before their land becomes encumbered by actions of the federal government. This bill is a right and good attempt by the State of Kansas to do what it ought to do: protect the property rights of its citizens from a federal government that has granted itself the power to work "in cooperation with other nations"¹ to do very broad things with our land.

As a property owner in Kansas, I did not know that the land my wife and I purchased and reside on was subject to the broad purposes and vague definitions of 54 U.S.C. 300101 et seq. and its underlying Public Laws. Under these laws, Freedoms Frontier National Heritage Area was signed into being in 2006. This federal land designation encompasses 29 counties in eastern Kansas and 12 in western Missouri, inserting a federal jurisdiction across State lines.

Liberty includes the right of citizens to own, e.g., exercise care, custody, and control over, property. Globalists are using federal land designations to take property from individuals and States, to blur State lines and remove property from food production. Less cows and crops; more windmills and solar panels.

President Biden's Executive Order 14008, signed January 27, 2021, has the objective to: "achieve the goal of conserving at least 30 percent of our lands and waters by 2030." From this order comes the phrase, "thirty-by-thirty", for 30% by 2030.

How is this to be accomplished? "The order establishes the National Climate Task Force, assembling leaders from across 21 federal agencies and departments to enable a whole-of-government approach to combatting the climate crisis." A **whole-of-government** approach calls for effort from every agency and department of the federal government, and any other level of government that can be made to comply.

Kansas should not passively comply but should instead assert its right to approve or disapprove of any federal laws and orders over Kansas land.

¹ See the text of 54 USC 300101: Policy, effective on February 10, 2024 and found here:
[https://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=\(title:54%20section:300101%20edition:prelim\)](https://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=(title:54%20section:300101%20edition:prelim))