

**Date: March 15, 2023**

**Re: SB135- Neutral written testimony**

**To: Senate Federal and State Affairs, Senator Mike Thompson, Chair**

**From: Claudia Hissong, Kansas Farm Bureau**

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Chair Thompson and members of the Committee, I appreciate the opportunity to provide neutral written testimony on SB135. My name is Claudia Hissong, on behalf of Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) members. KFB is the state's largest general farm organization representing more than 30,000 farm and ranch families through our 105 county Farm Bureau Associations.

Kansas Farm Bureau appreciates the time and effort that this legislative body has put into researching medical marijuana. Our members have done their research, heard from various experts through our policy development process and have a neutral stance on legalizing medical marijuana. However, our grassroots policy states, *"Should the state of Kansas choose to legalize the use of medical marijuana, we support the state of Kansas providing adequate authority with the resources needed to properly monitor and enforce licensing and legal medical marijuana production. All medical marijuana farms and dispensaries by law should be required to post ownership, permits, and license within public view."* Additionally, *"all medical marijuana products should be packaged with a label, just as any other pharmaceutical, with the daily dose, name of the dispensary and the phone number and name of the prescribing health care provider."*

If this committee decides to move forward with legislation legalizing medical marijuana, we hope you'll take these parameters into consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on SB135.