

**Testimony in Support of SB 500 - Providing restricted driver's privileges for certain individuals that fail to comply with a citation, authorizing certain individuals with revoked driver's licenses to be eligible for restricted driving privileges and permitting such individuals to drive to and from dropping off or picking up children from school or child care.**

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**Senate Committee on Judiciary**

**Chairman Warren, Vice Chair Wilborn, Ranking Minority Member Corson and Committee members .**

I have submitted previous testimony for driving privilege reinstatement many times in Topeka. I am hopeful this bill will be passed into law. SENATE BILL 500 has many of the recommendations included that the Racial Profiling Citizens Advisory Board has been asking for.

- A person may drive on a restricted license for 3 years while they are in "substantial compliance" with paying off their traffic fines before suspending their license again.
- Reduces the Reinstatement fee to a total of \$100.
- Courts and DMV can issue a Restricted license rather than automatically suspend due to non-payment of fines.
- Drivers with a Restricted license will be allowed to drive and pick up their kids from school and child care.

Enactment of SENATE BILL 500 would allow approximately 3,300 drivers to be eligible for a restricted license. It will give relief to Kansas drivers that apply for hardship, and we hope they do not have an additional year to wait while paying.

With no legal way to drive people have a hard time getting to work, and people without jobs have a hard time paying off their debts. I am asking all of you on the Senate Judiciary Committee to vote yes on the SENATE BILL 500, and give Kansans the opportunity to get safely back on the road, back to school, and back to work.

Thank you for your time.