

Collectively, our member organizations represent over 500,000 working Kansans.

SMART Transportation Division

Kansas Organization of State Employees

Laborers Local 1290

International Association of Fire Fighters

Kansas National Education Association

Kansas Coalition of Public Retirees

Kansas AFL-CIO

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 304

Kansas AFT

UFCW Local Union 2

Teamsters Joint Council 56

Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division - IBT

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen – IBT

Wichita Hutchinson Labor Federation

Tri-County Labor Council of Eastern Kansas

Kansas Chiropractic Association

Pipefitters Local 533

Service Employees International Union Local 513

Greater Kansas City Building & Trades Council

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 124

Boilermakers Local 83

Bakery, Confectionary, Tobacco Workers & Grain Millers Local 218

Mid-America Carpenters Regional Council

Salina Area Workers Coalition

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March 7th, 2023

Senator Mike Peterson
Committee on Transportation
Distinguished Members of the Committee
Kansas State Legislature, Senate
State Capitol, Room 546-S
300 South West 10th Avenue
Topeka, KS 66612

The Working Kansas Alliance supports SB271.

The Working Kansas Alliance is a coalition of union and non-union groups dedicated to protecting the rights of the hard-working Kansas families that fuel our State's economy at every turn. WKA works tirelessly to ensure Kansas workers are given a strong voice in the Kansas Legislature.

Our mission is to advocate for and promote policy solutions that strengthen working families and their Kansas communities.

SB271 provides common-sense safety protections for workers in the rail industry and safety for communities the railroads operate in.

Tain length and blocked crossings affect railroaders and citizens commuting to work. We also recognize our first responder's ability to get to accidents as fast as possible.

SB271 goes a long way, but two-person crews should be added to round out good public policy when it comes to the safety of Kansas.

Please support SB271

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