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Testimony to the House Federal & State Affairs Committee in Support of HBHB2403
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Chair Barker and Committee Members,

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office supports HB2403. This bill addresses a problem that we have in our county. We respond on a regular basis to sexually oriented business for calls for service. We agree with the statement in the bill Page , lines 10 – 17:

*"The purpose of the community defense act is to regulate sexually oriented businesses in order to **promote the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of Kansas** and to establish reasonable and uniform regulations to **prevent the deleterious secondary effects of sexually oriented businesses within the state**. The provisions of this act have neither the intent nor effect of imposing a limitation or restriction on the content or reasonable access to any communicative materials, including sexually oriented materials."*

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office has two sexually oriented businesses in our jurisdiction. In the last year we have handled 156 calls for service at these two businesses. The call types have been anything from car break-ins in the parking lots, disturbances, fights, narcotics, and DUI's. As you can see, we spend an inordinate amount of time and resources on just two locations in the county.

This bill would provide a way to combat some of the "side effects" of businesses of this type. We would ask the committee to recommend this bill favorably for passage. I would be happy to answer questions at the appropriate time.

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