Chairman Highland and Members of the Committee,

I ask that you vote YES on H.B. 2139 to repeal in-state tuition to Illegal Immigrants.

No need for me to point out that they are here without permission, altho' many will state that they should not be punished for what their parents did in bringing them to our Country. The problem, of course, is the cost to <u>legal</u> citizens, not just of the U.S., but of our state. The legal citizens' children don't get any financial break, therefore, neither should these illegal children. Kansas is a magnet for illegals as our surrounding states have dealt with this issue and others like it.

As a legal resident of this state, I am tired of supporting and paying for those who refuse to follow the rules. Perhaps just as important, I am tired of those we elect to speak for us, who refuse to address and stop the license that is being taken. We are paying a fortune (believe well over \$25 million) in this state; money we don't have to bend over backward for those who come to take what we have so generously offered to them. In many ways, I cannot blame them, as we are less than wise in doing so.

You must decide if this shall continue. I hope that you decide that this must stop by voting YES on H.B. 2139 to get it out of Committee and to the House floor.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

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