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Testimony before the  
**House Committee on Taxation**  
on  
**HB 2076**

by

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Mr. Chair Kleeb, Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on **HB 2076**. We rise as an opponent.

When we testified last year against a sales tax holiday, we made two points. The first is KASB is opposed to targeted tax cuts. That objection still stands.

The second is the fiscal note and the timing of the implementation. The fiscal note this year is not as large as last year. Also, the bill's full impact does not happen as quickly as it does not take effect until July 1, 2016, so the full load does not occur until FY 17 and FY 18. KASB is already concerned about resources for schools in those fiscal years due to lowered projected tax rates and limits on budget growth. Therefore, even though the amount is smaller, the effect is still the same, lower revenues to fund schools.

We appreciate the sponsors' intent to support parents as they enroll children into schools for the 2016-17 and beyond, but this is not the route or the time.

Thank you for considering our input.