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To: Representative Marvin KleeB – Chairman – Kansas House Taxation Committee

From: Paul Welcome, Johnson County Appraiser - Chairman - KCAA Legislative Committee

Subject: 2015 Legislation – HB 2070

The KCAA would like to express their support of House Bill No. 2070 for efficiency in government process. The proposal to expand the County Appraiser's authority to issue, approve, or grant exemptions for municipalities without avocation would save time and resources while expediting the process.

The County Appraiser would have the discretion to use the authority or send on to the BOTA regular division for issuance, approval, or granting of the exemption in cases requiring further opinion. All exemptions granted by the County Appraiser could be audited by the Kansas Department of Revenue, Division of Property Valuation, or the Board of Tax Appeals.

This would not apply to IRB/EDX properties.