



Testimony of the Kansas Association of Counties
to the House Tax Committee on February 10, 2016
Supporting House Bill 2476 (vendors with delinquent property taxes)

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

Riley County approached KAC's policy committee this summer to point out a discrepancy in how Kansas addresses delinquent taxpayers. Currently, the law provides a procedure to ensure vendors who owe taxes on personal taxes cannot continue benefiting from public funds while not paying taxes. HB 2476 helps ensure that vendors with public contracts will be accountable for owed real-property taxes.

This procedural change is a sensible method to safeguard the public purse by disallowing individuals from evading taxes. HB 2476 allows counties to deduct owed taxes from vendors who have unpaid obligations. KAC supports this measure and asks this committee to do the same.

Respectfully,

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