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Chairman Abrams and Members of the Committee.

On behalf of the Kansas Community Colleges, I am providing favorable written testimony on SB 388.

I understand that the Kansas Board of Regents has a policy on transferability of College Level Examination Program (CLEP) credit and that Standing Committees of the Board are scheduled this month to discuss and advance a revision of that policy.

Our colleges believe recognition of credit for prior learning is important in the completion of a higher education because of the flexibility it offers for students to demonstrate their mastery of college-level material in introductory subjects and to earn college credit.

We believe many ways of establishing competencies beyond traditional classroom approaches are very important. CLEP, Credit for Prior Learning, including credit for military service, as well as unfettered transfer and articulation at the course and program levels all remove barriers and move beyond the traditional classroom approach.

Respectfully submitted,

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