

HB 2587, Rep Kyle McNorton, Proponent, Oral  
Water District Board being able to hold executive meeting

Chairman and members of the committee,

I proposed HB 2587 for one of my constituents, Dave Jackson, who sits on the North Topeka Drainage District. Mr. Jackson is unable to attend the hearing today since he is on vacation. He did send in a written testimony which should be available to you.

The change in bill KSA 24-416 will allow water districts to meet in executive session to discuss matters outlined in KSA 75-4319. Doing a simple search through the statutes, there were numerous other boards which have this authority, including Homeowners Associations.

I feel the Water Districts should have the same option as other regulated boards to discuss confidential information outside of public meetings. They had a personnel issue that needed to be addressed and had to openly discuss this in front of the employee and everyone else who was at the meeting.

Thank you for time and consideration,

I will stand for any questions you may have.

Rep Kyle McNorton