

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION

FEBRUARY 9, 2023

SENATE BILL 128, OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT

MATTHEW GOULD, OPPONENT, WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

As the parent of three public school students (two graduates and one high school junior) I am writing to tell you I do not support this bill.

As a tax payer, I recognize what an extraordinary value our public schools are. All of my sons have received excellent educations and I am grateful to live in a state with a strong public school network that serves ALL Kansas students regardless of family wealth, circumstance, or educational differences. This bill will undermine not only Kansas public schools but other services funded with tax dollars in order to reward a few families for a private choice.

Please vote no on this bill. Thank you.