

Testimony to the House Committee on Education

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PROPONENT, OPPONENT, or NEUTRAL: Opponent

ORAL or WRITTEN ONLY TESTIMONY: Written Only Testimony

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Chair Estes & Members of the Committee,

I am writing to voice my opposition to bill number HB 2136.

I firmly believe a strong and prosperous Kansas is built on strong thriving neighborhoods. The foundation of a strong thriving neighborhood is a NEIGHBORHOOD school! This bill will allow funds to be removed from strong thriving neighborhoods and put them into tax exempt religious institutions. Please don't legislate to hurt our neighborhoods and/or those trying to rise up with a strong public school system. As Catholic my faith is founded in the choice to follow in HIS footsteps but this choice is mine, I would never want to force nor do I believe it in the best interest to force someone into a system of forced religion.

Please vote no on bill HB 2136

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