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Before: House Committee on Taxation

By: Woody Moses, Kansas Aggregate Producers Association and Kansas Ready Mixed Concrete Association

Regarding: HB 2747

Mr. Chairman and Committee Members,

My name is Woody Moses, Managing Director of the Kansas Aggregate Producers Association (KAPA) and the Kansas Ready Mixed Concrete Association (KRMCA). KAPA-KRMCA is a statewide trade association comprised of over 170 members, located in all 165 Legislative districts that provide basic building materials to all Kansans. I appreciate the opportunity to appear before you today to express our concerns in **opposition** to HB 2747 as it relates to transportation funding. Currently the bill as written and if it were adopted, would not allow for the 4/10 cent transfer to KDOT's budget in FY14 & FY15 which would be a detriment to the T-WORKS program. This would reduce KDOT TWORKS funding by \$160 million in FY14 and \$190 million in FY15 for a total of \$350 million over the two years. This will impede KDOT's ability to deliver projects as scheduled in the next two years and beyond. You, the Legislature, passed the T-WORKS program to help jump start Kansas's economy and create jobs for all Kansans.

Last year, KDOT \$200 million was taken from their budget and if we continue to raid transportation we **WILL NOT BE** able to keep the TWORKS program intact and as promised to the community. Communities strongly support T-WORKS and are counting on the economic impact from these highway, transit, aviation and rail improvements. All 105 counties passed resolutions in support of T-WORKS in 2010 with the expectation that projects will be delivered by 2020.

Changes to the State Highway Funding stream could negatively impact KDOT's bond rating. No analysis has been provided to determine the impact of lower revenues in the proposed bill has on cash flow or KDOT's ability to bond as they are limited to 18% of revenues.

We have concerns about job creation in Kansas. Both short- term construction jobs and the long- term jobs created by transportation investments will be lost.

Thank you for your time and I am willing to answer any questions at the appropriate time.

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