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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE  
  
SENATE  
COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES

TO: Senator Stan Clark, Chairman  
And Members of the Committee

FROM: Martha Neu Smith, Executive Director  
Kansas Manufactured Housing Association

DATE: March 8, 2004

RE: HB 2772 – Definition of Public Utilities

Chairman Clark and Members of the Committee, my name is Martha Neu Smith and I am the Executive Director of the Kansas Manufactured Housing Association (KMHA). KMHA represents all facets of the manufactured housing industry in Kansas (i.e., manufacturers, retailers, community owners and operators, finance and insurance companies, suppliers and transporters). I appreciate the opportunity to provide written comments in support of HB 2772.

KMHA has several members that are currently regulated by the Kansas Corporation Commission for sub-metering water to their residents. The association feels that HB 2772 clarifies that if a landlord meets the definition of subsection (a)(6) of K.S.A. 58-25, 111 and follows the requirements of HB 2772 they (landlord) would no longer be considered a “public utility”. We feel this is a reasonable approach to sub-metering, which in turn encourages water conservation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written support of HB 2772 as amended.