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**Testimony for House Energy and Environment**  
**March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013**  
**Opponent Testimony on HB 2241 – Reducing the RPS**

Dear Mr. Chairman Hedke and Honorable Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the Heartland Renewable Energy Society representing Kansas and Missouri, I appreciate the opportunity to submit comments in regard to HB 2241, which delays the timeline and lessens the requirements for utilities to meet the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard.

Our volunteer, citizen group chapter was formed in 2000. The purpose of the Heartland Renewable Energy Society is to further the development for the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency techniques, to promote those businesses on the cutting edge of renewable energy, and to educate the public, businesses and our policy makers on the need to create a clean, safe, renewable energy future. Our group represents architects, builders, engineers, realtors, business owners, nonprofits, concerned citizens, and more.

We firmly believe – and put our livelihoods and businesses at stake – that renewable energy is important for many aspects of our society, including our environment, our electric infrastructure, and our economy. As citizens and leaders, it is all of our responsibilities to make the needed changes to move to the energy of the future – renewable energy. Kansas is at the crossroads of becoming a major leader in the future energy requirements of our nation. We see the Kansas RPS has a sign of state leadership through public policy that challenges our utilities to move in the right direction by providing energy to our state that is cleaner, more sustainable, and cost-effective in long-term, not to mention creating jobs for the future that will never go away.

Please protect business interests, electricity-rate stability, and our environment by opposing HB 2241.

Again, thank you for allowing me to express my written concerns for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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