

Decorative CONCRETE SUPPLY

TESTIMONY

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Good afternoon, Mr. Chair Kinzer, members of the committee, my name is Mike Murray, President of Decorative Concrete Supply.

Current Kansas lien laws are needed and to change would be ridiculous for contractors, material suppliers and ready mix suppliers. For years, general contractors in the state of Kansas have used our money with terms such "as paid as" or worse yet, "we didn't get that invoice."

Many of these general contractors do not employ citizens of Kansas. Instead they come to town and use benefits and generosity of local supplies and fail to pay us in a timely fashion.

If the liberal rights to file liens are adopted instead of the ultra-conservative, it puts in danger on how local contractors and suppliers can do business in the state or if we can!

No one likes to file lien, but if Kansas continues with this practice-we will be forced to file a lien prior to the start of the project and puts a strain on the relationship between contractor and supplier.

We would hope that the Kansas House Committee will look out for the residents of Kansas and not consider this amendment.

We would hope the General Contractor would consider the best intent of all of Kansas and not their own selfish needs.

