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To: House Local Government Committee

From: Dan Engravalle, Deb's Disposal, Kansas City, KS

Date: February, 2013

RE: HB 2072

My name is Dan Engravalle, and I am the General Manager and owner of Deb's Disposal Service 1001 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Kansas City, KS 66101. Deb's Disposal Service was established 5 years ago by my wife and me. Deb's Disposal provides waste and recycling services to customers. We currently are supporting 10 families of our employees with the hopes of providing more jobs in the future.

I am asking the committee to support HB 2072 and act favorably on its passage. HB 2072 is a follow up to a bill that was introduced and heard in this committee last year – 2012 HB 2639. Both bills at their core sought to level the field of competition between public and private entities engaging in materials management and provide a clear policy regarding governmental participation in the private sector. Competition and a level playing field are important to my company and to the customers we service. As one can see, HB 2072 does nothing to affect a municipality's ability to provide materials management services to its own constituents. What HB 2072 does is remedy the unfair competition a municipality can take advantage of when the municipality leaves its jurisdiction and directly competes with a private entity that is in the business of materials management. Again, please support HB 2072.

Thank you for holding the hearing on HB 2072 today and for the opportunity to provide testimony. I am available for any questions of the committee.

Sincerely,

Dan Engravalle