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To: Rep. Steve Huebert, chairman, and members of the House Local Government Committee

From: Doug Anstaett, executive director, Kansas Press Association

Re: HB 2091

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee:

I am Doug Anstaett, executive director of the Kansas Press Association.

Representatives of the Kansas Press Association and the Kansas Association of Counties have agreed to language to amend K.S.A. 19-547 to allow for an increase in the amount counties can tack on to the bills of delinquent personal and real estate property owners to defray the expense of printing notices in the official county newspaper.

The charge was fixed at \$15 two decades ago, so an increase to \$30 per parcel will assist counties hit hard by tight budgets and inflation over the ensuing years.

We both believe the printing of the notices in newspapers continues to be an effective way to help drive collection of those delinquent accounts.

We ask for your support of HB 2091.