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**TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMERCE, LABOR
& ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON HB 2237**

Colleagues,

I respectfully submit HB 2237 for consideration by the committee. In Salina and Saline County, taxpayers are spending close to \$150,000 per year to advertise legal notices in print publications.

To increase transparency and access to these notices for the taxpayers of Salina and Saline County, I support allowing the option for web site publication. Subscribership for newspapers is not universal and requires a payment in most instances to access government information that should be universally accessible free of charge online.

HB 2237 does not eliminate legal notices, does not force communities to change their current process away from print publications and does not mandate web publication. It is simply an option for local governments that choose to take advantage of a less expensive, secure, and universally accessible publication medium for legal notices online.

Thank you for your study of this issue and your consideration of Kansas taxpayers.