



To: House Commerce, Labor, and Economic Development Committee, Rep. Mark Hutton,
Chair

From: Greg Krissek, Kansas Corn Growers Association

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Re: **HB 2356** – Providing for public safety with regard to elevators

Chairman Hutton and members of the committee. Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony in opposition to HB 2356 on behalf of the Kansas Corn Growers Association. My name is Greg Krissek. I am providing this testimony in my role as CEO of the Kansas Corn Growers Association (KCGA.) KCGA represents Kansas corn producers on a variety of issues that concern our members.

HB 2356 appears to have the possibility of being extremely costly to grain elevators in the state of Kansas. Due to the nature of the construction of grain elevators, the requirements in this bill could make it extremely difficult and/or costly for grain elevators to comply. Obviously, those costs will be passed onto our members, the farmers in the state of Kansas because they use grain elevators to market and store their crop.

Commercial grain storage facilities are already regulated by OSHA and state warehouse inspectors. The requirements in this bill are potentially duplicative and could be very costly to the agricultural industry. Therefore, we respectfully request that you oppose this bill.