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To: Representative John Barker, Chairman
Members of the House Judiciary Committee

From: Callie Jill Denton
Executive Director

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RE: SB 51 Judicial Branch Surcharge Fund (SUPPORT)

The Kansas Association for Justice (KsAJ) is a nonprofit professional organization of Kansas trial attorneys. KsAJ supports SB 51 as amended by the Senate related to the Judicial Branch judicial branch surcharge fund.

The Senate amended SB 51 by removing a sunset provision on a number of docket fees. The effect of removing the sunset will be to make surcharges a permanent source of funding, and to provide a measure of predictability.

On behalf of the members of KsAJ, I respectfully request your support for SB 51.