## To the Chairman and the Members of the Local Government Committee

My name is Tony Bailey I am a business owner and landowner north of Riverton Ks.. My home and farm is just across the road from the proposed annexation and my business is .8 of a mile from there. I can see where Island Annexation is a good thing for large cities and municipalities where things like airports and businesses are need to service large populations. But in a community the size of Cherokee County with a population of less than 25,000 a decision for I.A. should not be decided by 7 people on a City Council (actually 4 could carry the vote). Therefore the amendment to the Annexation Law HB#2003 would change that to where it would need the consent of the County Commissioners. In reality things of this magnitude should be brought to a public vote, but since that's not possible we the people must rely on our County Commissioners to make those decisions for us, as proposed in HB#2003.

As a concerned citizen I urge you to vote yes on this for we the citizens of Cherokee County and for future generations.

Most Sincerely, Tonny W. Bailey CONFerce

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