

Kansas House of Representatives.
Local Government Committee
Chairman-Rep. Steve Huebert
300 SW 10th Ave.
Topeka, KS 66612-1504

Re: **HB 2557**

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am writing to ask you to please vote against this bill.

I live in a neighborhood governed by a HOA and I currently serve on the board of directors for our association. Our association maintains our building exteriors, our streets, our clubhouse, and all the grounds. Our sole goal is to do everything we can to improve the life of our residents and maintain the value of the homes in our community.

We take pride in conducting our association's business in a transparent method to include all homeowners. This bill would discourage me and my neighbors from serving as directors. It is already very difficult to get residents to serve particularly since all our residents are over 50 years old, with most in their 70's and 80's.

I know our board would rather see you spent your time to make our taxes more equitable regarding local government taxes. We pay the same property tax as everyone in our city, but the city does not maintain our streets. They do not plow, pave, or provide any maintenance, I understand they are private streets and I understand they do not meet the city's requirements for public streets, but all our residents agree we are paying for a service we do not receive and taxes should be reduced since we pay this burden independently.

Sincerely,

Wally Grant,
President, Stratford Place Owners Association, Board of Directors