Chairman of Taxation Marvin Kleeb

House Taxation Committee

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Re: House Bill 2444

Dear Chairman Kleeb:

Subject: Tax Breaks

I was raised and live in Northwest Kansas. I've been a life-long Republican, but I'm very disturbed by the actions and bills presented by the Republicans in our state legislature. Also, I'm very frustrated with their efforts to continue slashing services instead of acknowledging what every Kansan I've talked to understands...that our state has allowed way too many tax breaks for businesses and corporations who are willing to fund private and home school children at the expense of public education.

It is past time for the leaders to step-up and acknowledges that the Brownback Experiment has failed. The intentions were honorable, but doing the same thing expecting different results is just insanity!

As chairman of the tax committee, you have great power to persuade the legislators that now is the time to do something different! It is time to revoke the business tax exemptions and tax breaks for corporations! It is time to provide funding for education and other valuable state services.

The people of Kansas are looking for leadership; please provide the leadership to turn around the finances of our great state, so we can once again say with pride that we have "great roads and the best public education". We have children with grandchildren who would like to return to this area and raise their families. We cannot encourage them to return until our state stands up to its moral obligations to the people of Kansas!

Sincerely, Brenda Henry Atwood, KS