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From:

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Subject:

Sale of Building - Chanute

Chairman Brunk and members of the Committee:

I appreciate the opportunity to present testimony regarding a Chanute building sale. Selling the facility where the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) now leases space would impact the Department.

Among its other authorities, KDADS is responsible for overseeing and administering survey and certification for adult care homes. This function is primarily carried out by KDADS' Survey, Certification, and Credentialing (SCC) Commission. The SCC Commission inspects adult care facilities and ensures compliance with the rules and regulations of the state and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. In addition, the Commission investigates reports of abuse and neglect of elderly patients.

The SCC Commission operates out of five district offices, one of which is located in Chanute. There are 75 adult care facilities in the 21 counties covered by staff in the Chanute area office. The Chanute area office consists of 731 square feet of office space leased from the Kansas Department of Children and Families at a rate of \$8.50 per square foot. Seventeen (17) KDADS employees are currently based in this office.

The impending sale of the current office space will have a fiscal effect on KDADS. While KDADS expects to have similar requirements for office space, it is very likely that the lease rate at a new location will be significantly higher. In addition, moving expenses will be a consideration. We would be willing to co-locate with the other state agencies affected, assuming our space and security requirements can be met while doing so.

We appreciate the Committee considering our comments. At this time, I will stand for questions.

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