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House Taxation Committee

Chair Johnson and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Kansas tax policy. The Kansas Center for Economic Growth (KCEG) is a nonpartisan organization dedicated to promoting balanced budget and tax policies that help ensure all Kansans prosper. **We are submitting testimony in support of House Bill 2618.**

We recognize lawmakers have a difficult task ahead as our state recovers from the failed 2012 tax plan, nine consecutive rounds of budget cuts, and years of disinvestment. **The road to recovery includes finding recurring and sustainable sources of revenue to address our state's most pressing priorities: providing great schools, affordable health care, and solid infrastructure, and building thriving communities in Kansas.**

Certainly, the task at hand for the legislature is difficult, and we appreciate the committee's thoroughness in evaluating all the available options. As you seek sustainable and renewable revenue sources to fund education and our other core services, KCEG is happy to provide technical assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact me (heidi@realprosperityks.com) if you have any questions.

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