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Thanks for the opportunity to share some information about the importance of Americorps in Kansas and how an exemption for the educational credit would be beneficial. I was contacted by members of the Kansas Volunteer Commission to discuss the possibility of an exemption for the \$5000 educational award these volunteers receive following a year of service with Americorps. All three of my daughters are Americorps graduates, as is my son-in-law. The Americorps experience is one I suggest for everyone -- it's a chance to learn more about a different community while living and serving the people of that community.

The Kansas Volunteer Commission manages Americorps in Kansas. This Commission has identified a need to improve recruitment and retention of volunteers by making the educational award Kansas tax exempt. I understand that tax exemptions are not very popular, but I hope this exemption will be considered given its relatively low fiscal impact, and how greatly it benefits the volunteers who commit to serve our state.

Representative Monica Murnan

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