



**KAW VALLEY
COMPANIES, INC.**

March, 14, 2019

To Whom it may Concern,

RE: SENATE BILL No. 219 – Session of 2019

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Kaw Valley Companies, Inc located in Kansas City, Kansas is opposed to SB 219 on assessing an excise tax on scrap metal. As one of the largest wrecking/demolition companies doing business in the Kansas City Metro Area, we support businesses in the State of Kansas like Rivers Edge Scrap Management.

Our bidding process includes the estimated revenue off the scrap metal that we recycle from a job so we can stay competitive. Including this excise tax on the scrap metal dealers in the State of Kansas will force companies that do wrecking/demolition like Kaw Valley Companies to drive the few extra miles to get a better price per load.

An average truck load of scrap metal is around 21 tons and per SB 219 that adds an additional \$1 per ton or \$21 per load that will be passed onto business like ours that support scrap metal dealers in the State of Kansas.

If the senate moves forward with SB 219 in assessing an excise tax, you are forcing companies like Kaw Valley Companies to do business out of state that results in a loss of revenue for the State of Kansas.

Sincerely,

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