

## WRITTEN ONLY TESTIMONY

## HB 2633

An Act concerning motor vehicles; relating to license plates; providing for the city of Hutchinson and the city of Topeka distinctive license plates.

> Whitney Damron On behalf of the City of Topeka

## **House Transportation Committee** February 14, 2022

Chairman Proehl and Members of the House Transportation Committee:

On behalf of the City of Topeka, we would respectfully suggest the provisions of HB 2633 relating to the City be removed for several reasons:

1. Section 2. (b) starting on page three, line 8 would require the City of Topeka to "authorize the use of its flag image as its logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section."

The City does not own the Topeka "flag image" and actually it is an open source design that anyone can use for lawful purposes.

2. Section 2. (b)(1) requires the City of Topeka to issue to the motor vehicle owner or lessee without charge, a logo use authorization.

Again, the City does not wish to be the administrator of this program.

We have no position on portions of the bill dealing with the City of Hutchinson license plate and would respectfully ask the bill to be amended to remove the portions dealing with the City of Topeka.

We have communicated our concerns to the chief sponsor of the bill, Rep. Probst as well as the three members of the Shawnee County Delegation listed as co-sponsors.

On behalf of the City of Topeka, we appreciate your consideration of this request.

Whitney Damron