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SB 79

Kansas Association of Counties
Proponent Testimony – Written Only

Chairwoman Tyson and members of the Committee:

Thank you for allowing the Kansas Association of Counties to offer proponent testimony on SB 79, which would allow counties the option of collecting an earnings tax.

The Kansas Association of Counties is neutral on whether counties should collect an earnings tax, and takes no position on whether that is the right step for individual communities. KAC supports giving local policy makers the option of making that decision.

The Kansas Association of Counties stands on the principle of local control. Allowing local decision makers to determine whether or not to enact a specific policy is at the heart of local control. As such, KAC supports the element of local control present in SB 79.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this perspective on this legislation.

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