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Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee  
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SB 480

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 480, which would change small claims and expedited hearings from in person hearings to telephone or video conference hearings. This change would likely result in savings for both taxpayers and counties.

KAC would be open to the possibility of continuing to allow in person hearings either in the county where the property is located, or an adjacent county if requested, but is not opposed to only utilizing virtual media for these hearings and the potential cost savings for all involved.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer support for this important legislation.

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