

To: Assessment and Taxation Committee

Re: SB 539

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My name is Judy Ancel, and I am writing in opposition to bill SB 539. I do not understand why I need to be writing testimony again on the flat tax. The legislature already failed to override the Governor's veto. As I'm sure you are aware, a flat tax is regressive, and basically constitutes a gift to the people who need it least while doing almost nothing for those who do need it.

A flat tax also poses a fiscal threat to the state budget by dramatically lowering tax receipts thus imperiling the solvency of the state government as well as reducing programs we need for the health, education and welfare of our people. Remember, the vast majority of Kansans who are adults work hard to produce your salaries while contributing to the overall economy. They do the work. Why would you risk their welfare for your hobby horse idea that's been proven over and over not to work?

I oppose SB 539. Dump it!

Sincerely,

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