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To: House Taxation Committee

From: Mark Tomb, VP of Governmental Affairs

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Re: Written Only Testimony in Support of HB 2317

On behalf of the Kansas Association of REALTORS® (KAR), thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony in support of HB 2317, which would allow certain tax notices and statements to be transmitted by electronic means if consented to by the taxpayer.

KAR represents over 11,000 members involved in residential, commercial, and agricultural real estate and has advocated on behalf of the state's property owners for more than 100 years. REALTORS® serve an important role in the state's economy and are dedicated to working with our elected officials to create better communities by supporting economic development, a high quality of life and providing affordable housing opportunities while protecting the rights of private property owners.

The Kansas Association of REALTORS® encourages government at all levels to become more efficient and utilize technology to improve government programs. HB 2317 is a small but important step to reduce costs and improve service delivery options. It is also important to note that this type of notice is voluntary, so individuals that may not be as technologically savvy can continue to receive notices by current methods.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our testimony.