

TESTIMONY OF THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES TO THE SENATE WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE ON HB 2139

MARCH 13, 2013

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

I am Randall Allen, the Executive Director of the Kansas Association of Counties. KAC is concerned about HB 2139's effects on counties. We did not appear as an opponent on the House side because we did not know at the time that this legislation affected counties. We appreciate the State Treasurer's Office advising us of the effects on counties and suggesting we appear at the Senate hearing.

We understand that the bill is intended to clarify procedures within the State Treasurer's Office and we do not want to throw a wrench into their clean-up legislation. We believe a simple amendment to the bill would be enough to address our concerns. We request that you remove the repeal of K.S.A. 10-815 in the repealer section (Page 3, Section 5).

Section 5 repeals the statute that directs county canceled warrants back to the county. We would prefer to continue current law as it pertains to county canceled warrants, and direct those back to the appropriate county fund.

I appreciate your consideration of our testimony and our proposed amendment.

Randall Allen **Executive Director**