

**Testimony for the Senate Utilities Committee
January 29, 2007
Supporting S. B. 120**

Chairperson Emler and Honorable Members of the Committee:

My name is Tom Thompson and I represent the Kansas Chapter of the Sierra Club. I am writing to support of S.B. 120.

S.B. 120 allows the KCC to set thermal efficiency standards for new and commercial property. It also requires that a disclosure of thermal efficiency be made available when a property is offered for sale, requested by a buyer and at closing.

The Sierra Club believes that the energy needs of Kansas are best met through energy efficiency and conservation. S.B. 120 helps Kansas to achieve this goal. Better thermal efficiency will result in less demand on energy generation decreasing the need for highly polluting forms of electric generation.

S.B. 120 will help those in the market for structures to be able to find the greatest amount energy efficiency possible. As a result, they will save money in the long run and help Kansas and the world have a cleaner and healthier environment.

Thank you for this opportunity and your time.

Sincerely

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