

Dear Chairman and members of the Local Government Committee

I am writing to this committee in opposition of HB2063. As a Kansas taxpayer and resident, we are tired of all the unnecessary spendings along with the government telling us what we can and cant do with our land. Or for the government to tell us rural folks that they know what's best for our farming/business.

I have utilized the conservation district for a few projects. To only discover in the end, it was a waste of taxpayers' money. Also discovering that they believe Juniper trees AKA (Red Cedars) are bad for Kansas when they are native trees and will allocate removal funds all day long. Which doesn't make sense as Kansas has completely different landscape throughout the state. Miami County is in the eastern part of Kansas which is river front and waterways. It's the richest source of native forestry. A one size fits all doesn't apply here. We are not part of the Flint Hills or great plains.

Our local conservation district has an Urban Agent who host 'talk and coffee' talks at a local resident, the local resident believes all republicans/conservatives are uneducated folks. He posts to social media quite often and tags the local conservation district. Maimi county isn't even urban, and we only have real farmers. We are funding groups like these with our tax money.

Kansas has spoken with the last election we are tired of taxes, increasing spending, and tired of the government thinking they know better than us generational farmers. We need to stop funding farmer welfare and encourage farmers to become independent and not dependent.

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