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Opponent Testimony for House Bill 2136

House Committee on Education Cathy Hopkins and Danny Zeck, Liaisons Kansas State Board of Education

Chair Erickson and members of the Committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide opponent testimony regarding House Bill 2136 on behalf of the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education voted to prioritize only using public funds for public schools in the Board's 2025 Legislative Priorities. House Bill 2136 is counter to this priority by providing funding that would otherwise be available for public schools to families that choose to enroll their children in private schools.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of our testimony,

Cathy Hopkins

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