Testimony to the House Committee on Education

Kerry Adam Parent and concerned citizen Bill HB 2136 Opponent Written Testimony February 5, 2025

Chair Estes & Members of the Committee,

I am writing to voice my opposition to bill number HB 2136. I have older kids that attended both public and private schools in the Kansas City area. I am a strong believer that public tax dollars should remain with our public schools.

The current tax credit of 75% is already a huge benefit for those people funneling their tax dollars to private schools. Increasing the credit to 100% seems as though it is special treatment and would hurt other nonprofit organizations that truly need the money.

A huge concern of mine is that there seems to be no real oversight or accountability. How do we as taxpayers know that these at risk students are receiving the scholarship?? Private schools have their own policies and procedures when admitting students. They are able to pick and choose who they accept.

Our public schools are the reason so many people move to Kansas. Let's not fix something that is not broken.

I would appreciate confirmation that this email has been received and added to written testimony.

Please oppose Bill HB 2136.

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