



## TESTIMONY Before the House Appropriation Committee By John Kiefhaber, Executive Director March 7, 2011

Concerning HB 2368 - Supporting the Repeal of the Requirement for Fee-Funded Agencies to Annually Remit 20% of Fee Revenues to the State General Fund

Chairman Rhoades and members of the House Appropriations Committee, thank you for the opportunity to appear today to offer testimony on behalf of the Kansas Chiropractic Association in support of **HB 2368**.

KCA is the state's only professional association representing doctors of chiropractic practicing throughout the State of Kansas, delivering quality health care services to patients effectively and efficiently. Our doctors are concerned about the extremely difficult budget challenges facing the Kansas Legislature in FY 2012 and FY 2013 as are all citizens of this state. However, we cannot support any further raiding of the licensing fee funds as has occurred in the past.

In addition, the annual 20% transfer of fee revenues would be repealed by HB 2368. Contained within the statutes for each fee-funded agency, there is a provision that requires each agency to annually transfer 20% of all licensing fees, charges and penalties collected, up to a statutory maximum of \$200,000, to the state general fund to pay for unrelated programs in the state budget. Most fee fund agencies do not utilize nearly that amount of central state administrative services. This overhead charge should be assessed based on a proper overhead utilization study by the Department of Administration that would apportion out the true cost of these services to each agency.

We respectfully request the Committee's support of HB 2368.

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