

RURAL WATER DISTRICT # 3
SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS
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Comments on HB 2456
Before the House Energy & Utilities Committee
January 25, 2012

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

I am Larry Smith, Operations Manager of Sedgwick County Rural Water District No. 3. Our water system serves 2093 meters in Sedgwick, Sumner, Butler and Cowley counties in South-Central Kansas. Our system consists of a distribution system that involves 280 miles of pipeline.

Our District is a member of Kansas One Call. My Board Members and I are in favor of House Bill 2456. We can't believe that a non-vote is being counted as a favorable vote. We can't recall any voting process using the proxy by default to pass a measure since that would make the measure pass automatically. If all the voting processes in the world were done this way, what would we have? This is something one would expect out of communist Russia. Try this in the next presidential election and see where we would be, a big mess. A no-vote is a no-vote.

Sedgwick County Rural Water District No. 3 urges your support of House Bill 2456 to prohibit Kansas One Call from these unscrupulous practices.

Thank you for your support.



Larry Smith
Operations Manager