



Testimony before the
House Committee for Education
on

HB 2233

by

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Chairman Huebert:

Thank you for this opportunity to address the committee.

Our organizations stand opposed to House bill 2233

As you are aware, this bill makes \$500 available to all teachers in the district. As a being a principal for many years, I never remembered a time when I did not give the money to a teacher when it was an educationally sound expenditure. I would also suggest, that \$500 to a Kindergarten teacher is different than \$500 given to a Industrial Tech teacher. The money will not go as far. I would also say in many instances, this money could go to non-academic situations. Ex. Rewards, candy, etc. and are considered as teaching supplies.

I could also see money being taken from other areas in the budget being routed to fund the requests of this bill. Simply put, robbing Peter to pay Paul. This is not an efficient way to run a district and takes away local control.

USA Kansas and KSSA would stand in opposition of HB 2233 and stand for question when the time is appropriate.