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Adam Smith, Chairman House Taxation Committee State Capitol, Room 346-S Topeka, KS 66612

Re: Written Testimony in Support of HB 2002

Dear Chairman Smith and Members of the Committee:

The Board of Riley County Commissioners unanimously supports HB 2002.

This legislation requires the state to pay those printing and postage costs required when County Clerks mail the notice required by the "Revenue Neutral" statute (K.S.A. 79-2988 et. seq.)

Any state mandate on counties which does not include state funding requires local property taxpayers to pay for the mandate. So, if the "Revenue Neutral" mandate continues, it makes sense for the state to fund at least this portion of its local costs.

Thank you for allowing this Board to testify in support of HB 2002.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF RILEY COUNTY, KANSAS

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