

To: Representative Adam Smith and Members of the House Taxation Committee From: Kevin Walker, Senior Vice President of Public Policy Overland Park Chamber of Commerce Date: 31 January 2023

On behalf of the members of the Overland Park Chamber of Commerce, I appreciate the opportunity to submit testimony in support of HB 2110. This bill gives taxpayers in specified North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes the option to elect single-factor apportionment when calculating their tax liability to the State of Kansas.

Allowance of this type of taxing option is an effective means of promoting economic development in Kansas, especially since our neighboring state and biggest economic development competitor, Missouri, already allows such a choice. Under single-factor apportionment, the only factor used to determine a company's income tax is its sales in Kansas. Most manufacturers have their assets and employees in a small number of states but sell their product(s) regionally or nationally.

Reversing out-migration and growing our economy is critical for the future of Kansas. We must ensure that future generations have viable employment opportunities and one way of doing that is to make sure employers find Kansas an attractive place to base their operations. With the majority of states allowing for single-factor apportionment, it is critically important that Kansas-based entities be given the opportunity to remain competitive.

We encourage the House Taxation Committee to consider expanding the single-factor election to all businesses, regardless of the NAICS code, and act favorably on HB 2110.