

## Written proponent testimony before Senate Assessment and Taxation

On

HB 2002

Continuing in existence the reimbursement from the taxpayer notification costs fund for printing and postage costs for county clerks beyond calendar year 2023

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Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in favor of HB 2002.

Because school boards are legally required to publish their budget documents, property tax rates and budget hearing notices in local media, KASB's 286 locally elected member school boards feel the legislature should exempt school districts from the "revenue neutral rate" hearing law which has caused needless confusion and discontent, and which will cause district to incur costs that should be dedicated to educating children.

Although HB 2002 doesn't exclude school districts from RNR hearings, KASB supports the legislature reimbursing county clerks for RNR notice costs beyond calendar year 2023.

Thank you

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