

Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee March 11, 2024 HB 2783

> Kansas Association of Counties Neutral Testimony – Written Only

Chairman Thompson and members of the Committee:

Thank you for allowing the Kansas Association of Counties to offer testimony on HB 2783, which would prohibit the state or local governments from regulating automotive vehicles based on their energy source.

The Kansas Association of Counties and its member counties understand that this bill is intended to prevent the state or local governments from unfairly regulating vehicles based on the energy source that they use. However, the broad language used in the bill would prevent the state or local government from regulating or restricting such vehicles even if the energy source is later determined to be dangerous, hazardous, or damaging in certain circumstances.

KAC would encourage the committee to consider allowing the state and local government to enact some regulations or restrictions based on health and safety for individuals and property.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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