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Mr. Chairman, Members of the Committee:

I am Rex Buchanan, Interim Director of the Kansas Geological Survey (KGS). The KGS is a research and service division of the University of Kansas. I appreciate the opportunity to appear today.

The KGS supports House Bill 2724. The state's Data Access and Support Center (DASC) was established at the KGS in 1991. Since then, it has become a critical source of digital data and GIS leadership in the state, and a national model of data dissemination. The relationship between DASC and the KGS is highly successful and is, I believe, beneficial to both organizations. I urge you to continue that connection and approve House Bill 2724.