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Subject: SB 226

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Thank you for allowing me to testify today on Senate Bill 226.

My name is Jo Budler and I am the State Librarian. I am testifying today neutral on SB 226.

The State Library of Kansas serves state government, librarians and all Kansas residents through its statewide services. However, a bulk of the service provided by the Reference Services Division of the State Library is provided to the Legislature and therefore it is logical that the State Library be moved from the Executive Branch to the Legislative Branch.

The services which the State Library provides to the legislative branch include:

- Year round staffing of the HotLine, a toll-free number constituents may use to communicate with their legislators and get relevant information about the Legislature. Some examples of questions:
 - Legislative procedure
 - Bill status
 - Committee membership
 - How to testify
 - Who is my legislator
 - How to contact legislators
- Research for and support of legislative agencies and staff;
- Indexing and description of legislation, 1935 to present;
- Maintenance of the index of Legislators, Past and Present database (which began in 1935)
- Maintenance of a collection of introduced and amended bills, 1909 to present
- Maintenance of historical newspaper clippings about legislative sessions, 1913 to present
- Digitization and maintenance of online access to House and Senate Journals, interim reports, directories and other relevant documents;
- Subscriptions to research databases for use by legislative staff including HeinOnline, Lexis-Nexis State Capital, Subject Compilations of State Laws, Kansas Session Laws;
- Establishing journal alerts for legislators and staff, e.g. Wall Street Journal;
- Provision of information to legislators for inclusion in their newsletters.

The enactment of SB 226 would have no fiscal effect on the State Library budget or on the services that the State Library provides. Again, thank you for allowing me to testify.