

**TESTIMONY OF ECONOMIC LIFELINES REGARDING HOUSE BILL  
2370; INCREASING THE STATE MOTOR FUEL TAX RATE**

Chairman Johnson and members of the House Taxation Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding House Bill 2370.

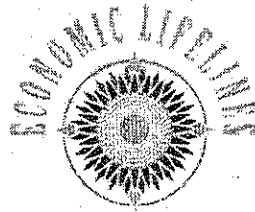
I am Ed DeSoignie with Economic Lifelines.

Economic Lifelines was founded 30 years ago at the urging of Governor Mike Hayden who believed the voice of communities, businesses and transportation interests needed to be heard by the Legislature and Governor concerning transportation needs of our state. A listing of our members is attached to my testimony.

House Bill 2370 proposes increasing the state motor fuel tax rate by three cents; phased in over a three-year period beginning July 1, 2020.

Economic Lifelines believes that the need for stable and consistent funding for the State Highway Fund is a high priority with the citizens and businesses of our state. We believe House Bill 2370 represents one of a number of viable funding options for the Legislature to consider.

Thank you.



Economic Lifelines Membership  
March 2019

AAA of KS	Monarch Cement
ACEC of Kansas	Montgomery County
ATSSA of Kansas	Olathe Chamber of Commerce
Berry Companies	Operating Engineers Local 101
Chanute Regional Dev. Authority	Overland Park Chamber
City of Great Bend	SPIRIT
City of Lansing	Salina Chamber of Commerce
City of Lawrence	Shilling Construction
City of Newton	The Koger Agency
Douglas County	Topeka Chamber of Commerce
Finney Co. Economic Development	Travel Industry of Kansas
Hamm, Inc.	Union Pacific Railroad
Heavy Constructors Association of Greater Kansas City	US-36 Association
Hwy 69 Association.	Watco Companies
Hutch/Reno Co Chamber of Commerce	
Jobs, Inc.	
Kansas Aggregate Producers Association	
Kansas City Building & Trades	
Kansas Asphalt Paving Association	
Kansas Association of Counties	
Kansas Contractors Association	
Kansas Good Roads	
Kansas League of Municipalities	
Kansas Motor Carriers Association	
Kansas Public Transit	
Manhattan Chamber of Commerce	
Mary Turkington	