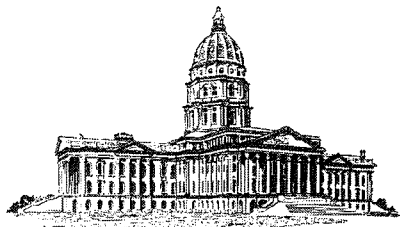


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Committee on Local Government

I am writing this letter of support for House Bill 2150, AN ACT concerning planning and zoning; relating to planning and zoning by a city; repealing the authority of a city to adopt planning and zoning regulations for land located 3 miles outside of such city.

Chairman, we live just inside of that parameter from our city and since we purchased that house we have been under the jurisdiction of that 3 mile zone for 20 years. We have been restricted by the city planning and zoning codes and ordinances instead of the county planning and zoning commission.

Our city does allow citizens to apply to the city planning and zoning committee for one seat on that board. I have been appointed to that board.

I understand that cities want to control their future destiny and development. If they do have a need to control their jurisdictions, then they should go through the annexation process so that residents have a voice in the cities control and receive services for the price of the oversight.

The county government has a separate planning and zoning commission, and they are unable to influence these jurisdictions that are controlled by the cities. County governments that receive county taxes and are represented by those residences should be their representatives.

Mr. Chair, we are supportive of HB 2150 and would like to recommend that you work the bill and send it to the Committee of the Whole to be heard.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Rhiley". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name.

Bill Rhiley

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