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Testimony to the Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee

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SB 128, Opportunity Tax Credit
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Written ONLY Testimony

Senator Tyson and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to voice my opposition to SB 128.

This bill provides a tax credit of \$5100 (or current base state aid per pupil) for anyone who sends their children to an accredited or non-accredited private school. Although the "school" needs to be registered with the Kansas State Department of Education, there is no accountability that it is educating students. In addition, if the tax credit is more than taxes owed, the taxpayer will receive a refund.

A bit tongue in cheek -- what about those of us who do not have children? Will we ever benefit from a tax credit? Have you considered us? Do we want those tax credits going to private schools? For me, that answer is no!

Vote NO on SB 128!

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