

Testimony before the Senate Ways & Means Committee

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Good morning Chairperson McGinn and Members of the Committee. I am Eric King, Director of Facilities for the Kansas Board of Regents. Thank you for the opportunity to appear before your Committee. I am here to speak on behalf of House Bill 2429, a bill that would remove the June 30, 2012 sunset on the State Educational Institution Project Delivery Construction Procurement Act.

This act has allowed the state universities the ability to expedite procurement processes, creating efficiencies when "non-state funds" are used for construction projects. These efficiencies in turn have realized savings due to inflationary costs.

Although limited in it's use since passage during the 2009 legislative session, projects using the act have saved several weeks in the procurement of professional design services and construction services while providing fair, open and competitive procedures.

Considerable input was received from all primary stakeholders affected by the State Educational Institution Project Delivery Construction Procurement Act, and it is my understanding that there is unanimous support for removing the sunset and allowing the Act to continue in it's current form.

Thank you for allowing me to testify on this matter. I would be pleased to answer any question that you may have.

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