

Legislative Testimony in support of HB 2168 Ad Astra Rural Jobs Act for Senate Commerce Committee Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Thank you for the opportunity to express our support of HB2168 Ad Astra Rural Jobs Act. The Kansas Economic Development Alliance, (KEDA), is a statewide organization that represents economic development professionals across all of Kansas. We support new job creation and new business development efforts in Kansas. We believe that HB2168 is an opportunity to boost growth in rural areas of Kansas that need new opportunities to assist in gaining additional population, new career opportunities and new business development. The Ad Astra Rural Jobs Act prohibits existing businesses within Kansas to be "pirated" from one community to another. It creates an opportunity for businesses to expand or better yet, new industry to develop in rural Kansas. HB2168 provides the opportunity to allow new investment dollars to flow through Kansas that that aid in new business development. We hope that you will pass HB2168 Ad Astra Rural Jobs Act to support the economic development efforts of rural Kansas.

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