

Before the Kansas Senate Committee on Utilities

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Testimony in Opposition to Senate Bill 209

Written Only

Alfalfa Electric Cooperative, Inc.,
Cherokee, Oklahoma

Alfalfa Electric Cooperative, Inc. is based in Cherokee Oklahoma. We serve 4,075 members with 8,585 meters. We service 3,289 miles of line with 49 full time employees. Alfalfa serves members in both Barber and Harper counties in Kansas.

On behalf of Alfalfa Electric Cooperative, I submit the following testimony in opposition to Senate Bill 209.

Alfalfa Electric Cooperative serves members in Kansas and Oklahoma. We urge you not to pass Senate Bill 209 for the following 3 reasons:

- 1) We have not received any requests from members in either state for an unbundled rate as proposed in this legislation.
- 2) There is a cost to doing what is proposed in this bill. It is not fair to our members to be forced to have a cost of service study performed for this purpose as this is not what our members want or need.
- 3) Alfalfa Electric Coop has maintained some of the lowest rates in the region and this bill will increase costs for our consumers by forcing the fixed costs associated with unbundled rates on them.

Thank you for the opportunity to address this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

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