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Testimony to House Committee on K-12 Education Budget Chair, Rep. Kristey Williams Hearing: Monday, March 19, 2019

Position – SUPPORT SB 142

Chairwoman Williams, and Members of the Committee,

The MainStream Coalition supports passage of SB142, in the interest of advancing the question of fully funding public education to the House floor. The Kansas Supreme Court has ruled additional funds are required to account for inflation, and their deadline is rapidly approaching. This bill covers the inflation increase for one year, and would give some certainty to school districts and families across the state.

It is time to end the cycle of litigation. The Court has already ruled the policy passed last year to be Constitutional. Please pass a clean, concise bill without additional policy amendments.

This bill, with a funding amount presented by the State Board of Education, is a step in that direction. We need to move it forward.

Thank you,

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