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Chair Williams and members of the committee:

I adamantly oppose HB2550 mainly because it diverts taxpayer funds from our public schools to private schools. I spent 25 years as a public educator and I have children in our public schools. From 2006-2019 I was the principal at Harmony Middle School in the Blue Valley School District. Our public schools are the bedrock of this community. The public schools in Johnson County strive to provide an exemplary education for ALL students. Private schools do not have the same accountability standards as public schools. Additionally, this is unfair to Kansas taxpayers and would create a two-tier education system that may benefit some students while hurting the majority of students.

I appreciate your time and consideration.

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“The way to right wrongs is to turn the light of truth upon them.” - Ida B Wells

“The main tenet of design thinking is empathy for the people you’re trying to design for. Leadership is exactly the same thing - building empathy for the people you are entrusted to help.”

David Kelley Founder of IDEO