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Senator Mike Thompson  
Chair —Senate Utilities Committee  
Rm. 548 S, Statehouse  
Topeka, KS 66612

Re: Senate Bill 24

Dear Senator Thompson and Committee Members,

Douglas County is opposed to SB 24, which would prohibit local governments from adopting policies that restrict a certain type or source of energy.

The language in this bill is vague, but one thing is clear. This bill will be harmful to Douglas County's future. It will restrict our ability to encourage energy efficiency, choose the type of energy that supplies our buildings, incentivize renewable energy, and even make community plans that include targets for clean energy.

The future of energy is changing, and this bill will slow the transition to renewable energy sources in the State of Kansas. Instead of protecting the status quo in a time of change in energy policies and investments at the federal level, we support public and private incentives to encourage investment in renewable energy sources in Kansas.

Sarah Plinsky  
County Administrator