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SB 301

Kansas Association of Counties
Proponent Testimony – Written Only

Chairwoman Bowers and members of the Committee:

Thank you for allowing the Kansas Association of Counties to offer proponent testimony on SB 301, which would require the annual filing of statements of substantial interest by local government officers and employees.

County officials are already required to file these statements of substantial interests. This bill simply puts a deadline in place, which helps ensure that the statements are filed in an orderly manner. Additionally, SB 301 would centralize these statements by sending them to the secretary of state. KAC has no objection to these new requirements.

KAC supports this level of transparency for local government officials to match that of state government officials. Thank you for the opportunity to present this perspective on this legislation.

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