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Chairman Thompson, Vice Chair Blex, Minority Leader Curtis and other committee members:

I am testifying today as a proponent of House Bill 2238 which if passed will amend KSA 12-1252 to eliminate the \$500,000 limit on gifts that cities and school districts may receive for the purpose of libraries. The small communities in my district that have libraries are enriched with the availability of books, software, videos and other resources as well as having libraries serve as community meeting areas. I am sure that at the time that the monetary limit was imposed \$500, 000 went much farther than it does now due to inflation. If a donor is generous enough to give to help their community to prosper then we should be willing and able to allow that to happen. I know that this is a very brief testimony but as my fellow committee members have probably noticed I am a man of few words. I will be happy to answer questions.

Ken Collins

State Representative-Second District