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Attn: Senate Utilities Committee

Proponent Testimony for SB353

Chairman Thompson and members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in favor of SB353. As a fourth generation Kansas farm owner, retired real estate broker/community developer and resident of rural Brown County, I applaud the creators of this bill and fully support it's passage.

We Kansans live in a land with a beauty of its own. We can't take it for granted or allow others to change our land and ruin our natural beauty.

I personally do not wish to see, hear or in any way be subjected to the adverse impacts from these structures. I created a family legacy and sustained an environment to entice the multitude of Kansas wildlife to frequent and reproduce at my pond and lands. As I understand, many waterfowl, birds, federally protected species are killed annually from the turbines. Also, increased human and industrial encroachments will negatively impact our wildlife to thrive and our family and friends enjoyment thereof.

Lastly, in real estate law exists the Bundle of Ownership Rights: Possession, Use, Enjoyment, Disposition and Exclusion Two rights that wind turbines could negatively impact ownership would be USE: The right to use, refers to the way the owner wishes to use the property and ENJOYMENT: The right of enjoyment gives the owner the freedom to enjoy the property in any way within reason.

I appreciate your time, service and your attention to this important matter. I respectfully request your approval of SB353.

Thank you,

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