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FOR
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**

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Agency represented Kansas Citizen

Bill # HB2268

Proponent

Opponent

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Thank you,

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Written Testimony for Kansas House Committee on Local Government
February 14, 2024
Jason Harrison, Kansas Homeowner

Thank you for convening this important discussion on expanding access to solar energy in Kansas. My name is Jason Harrison and I am a Kansas citizen and homeowner. I am urging you to expand access to the cost-saving benefits of solar energy by passing HB 2268.

Many Kansans would like the freedom to install solar panels but are restricted by their Homeowners' Association. This results in missed opportunities and benefits to the homeowner, including:

- Reduced energy bills^{1,2}
- Federal tax credits^{3,4}
- Improved home values^{5,6,7,8}
- Environmental responsibility^{9,10,11}

Let Kansas homeowners use solar technology to its fullest extent, giving them, not HOAs, more choice and control over where their energy comes from.

¹ <https://www.forbes.com/home-improvement/solar/how-much-solar-panels-save/>

² <https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/benefits-residential-solar-electricity>

³ <https://www.nerdwallet.com/article/taxes/solar-tax-credit>

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<https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2021/02/f82/Guide%20to%20Federal%20Tax%20Credit%20for%20Residential%20Solar%20PV%20-%202021.pdf>

⁵ <https://www.zillow.com/research/solar-panels-house-sell-more-23798/>

⁶ <https://palmetto.com/learning-center/blog/solar-panels-increase-home-value>

⁷ <https://emp.lbl.gov/publications/appraising-sun-six-state-solar-home>

⁸ <https://www.energy.gov/eere/articles/sunshot-programs-bring-solar-energy-basics-real-estate-pros>

⁹ <https://www.eia.gov/energyexplained/solar/solar-energy-and-the-environment.php>

¹⁰ <https://www.ecowatch.com/solar-environmental-impacts.html>

¹¹ <https://www.ucsusa.org/resources/environmental-impacts-solar-power>