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Senator Caryn Tyson
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Re: SB127

Honorable Senator Tyson,

I am the Chief of Police for the Abilene Police Department in Abilene, Kansas.

I am writing to you to request a hearing for SB127. This hearing would allow consideration for the county commissioners of Dickinson County to submit the question of imposing a retail sales tax to fund the implementation of an upgraded and functional radio system for public safety in our county.

Our current radio system is outdated and ineffective, placing first responders in danger when unable to clearly receive information from dispatch or transmit the need for assistance.

As the Chair of the Senate Tax Committee, your support would be invaluable in moving this issue forward to have the opportunity to bring this question to the voters of Dickinson County.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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