



Ethanol - Made In Kansas

Association Of Ethanol Processors

**Written Statement in Support of SB 339
Senate Taxation Committee
Senator Les Donovan, Chair
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Thank you Chair and members of the Committee, my name is Ron Seeber; I am the Senior Vice President of the Kansas Association of Ethanol Processors. KAEP represents the ethanol manufacturers and affiliated industries in our state. On behalf of the industry I am providing this testimony in support of .

KAEP believes that by simplifying the Tax code, Kansas will have a more hospitable tax environment for investment. Ethanol plants are a staple for economic development in rural Kansas and by making the needed changes in SB 339, Kansas will accomplish just that. Taxes at the on all levels are extremely cumbersome and complicated. A fairer, structured system will attract out of state companies to come to Kansas and help those in Kansas to prosper and grow.

We support the Governor and his bold effort to change business as usual. SB 339 is a dynamic vision for our state and, if implemented, will move Kansas forward. KAEP believes this is a good start to making our tax system more user friendly. We urge the committee to consider approving this bill to allow businesses expand and flourish.