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Dear Chairwoman Caryn Tyson and members of the Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation:

I am writing in support of SB 188: Comprehensive Tax Reform.

I grew up in Olathe, went to KU law school, and now live in Lenexa. My family moved around a lot when I was a kid, but when we landed in Kansas, we were finally home. The schools I have gone to have been top-notch because they received the proper funding to offer me the education I needed and deserved. Now I am a parent, and my son will be entering kindergarten soon. I have always been so proud of the public education I received in Kansas, but I am truly afraid for my son. The tax policies implemented by the legislature and approved by Gov. Brownback have created an enormous budget crisis, and all of our public institutions--especially public education--are suffering. We have already learned what the devastating effects of these tax policies are, and it makes no sense to keep moving forward down this path. For the sake of my son's future, and for the place that I call home, I ask you to please support comprehensive tax reform, including ending the "march to zero," closing the LLC loophole and reinstating the top income bracket for single filers so that everyone is contributing their fair share.

Thank you for your consideration,
Leena Fry