



# City of Bonner Springs

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March 16, 2022

Rep. Adam Smith  
Chair, House Committee on Taxation  
Room: 185-N, Statehouse  
Topeka, KS 66612

Re: City of Bonner Springs Testimony in Opposition to HB 2738

Dear Representative Smith and Committee Members,

The City of Bonner Springs is in opposition to HB 2738. In Wyandotte County, over 99% of residents live within the city limits of Bonner Springs, Edwardsville, and Kansas City. Less than 700 residents live in the unincorporated areas of Wyandotte County.

The City of Bonner Springs currently receives approximately \$1,415,000 of revenue from the countywide sales tax. These sales tax dollars fund public safety services, such as fire, police, and ambulance, as well as street maintenance. This source of revenue reduces the amount of property taxes levied to the citizens of Bonner Springs. Without this vital source of revenue, the City would likely need to raise property taxes or cut services, neither of which would be of benefit to the residents and businesses in our community.

On behalf of the City of Bonner Springs, I respectfully urge you to vote "No" on HB 2738.

Sincerely,

Amber Vogan,  
Assistant City Manager  
City of Bonner Springs

cc: Representative Tom Burroughs, District 33  
Mayor/CEO Tyrone Garner, Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City  
Board of Commissioners, Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City  
Mayor Jeff Harrington, City of Bonner Springs  
City Council Members, City of Bonner Springs  
City Manager, Sean Pederson, City of Bonner Springs