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CITY OF CLAY CENTER  
427 COURT STREET, P.O. BOX 117  
CLAY CENTER, KANSAS 67432-0117

March 16, 2022

Re: HB 2738

The City of Clay Center strongly opposes HB 2738 for the following reasons:

1. The revenue lost on an annual basis should the distribution not continue would be approximately \$350,000. While we understand this would be on future countywide tax issues, the potential is the same.
2. The City of Clay Center uses the money received from the county to help fund the general fund. Should this be taken away, this amount would be equal to approximately 12 mills. That would be detrimental to the citizens of Clay Center as they believe our tax levy is already burdensome. The only alternative would be to cut services provided to our citizens and that is clearly not an option.
3. Most of the sales tax is generated inside the city limits and it is recognized that a portion of those sales tax dollars should stay where they are generated.
4. Changing this sales tax structure would put further weight on city residents to pay the cost of county services with no direct benefit.

Respectfully,

Clay Center Mayor Thatcher  
Clay Center Governing Body