



Written Proponent Testimony of the **Kansas Public Health Association** to the
House Social Services Budget Committee
HB 2330 | February 21, 2023

Chairman Mason and members of the committee:

Thank you for allowing the Kansas Public Health Association to provide written, proponent testimony for HB 2330 which increases the amount of state moneys distributed to local health departments.

The Kansas Public Health Association is a membership organization of over 800 individuals in Kansas that represent both public health and healthcare practitioners, professionals, and advocates. As such, The KPHA supports the critical services that local health departments provide including monitoring disease outbreaks, health promotion programs and advancing community health. By increasing the state financial assistance for local health departments would significantly help health departments in providing these critical services.

The Kansas Public Health Association encourages the committee to vote to support HB 2330 in full as presented and increase state financial assistance to local health departments.

Respectfully submitted,

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