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**STATEMENT OF KANSAS BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION  
TO THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

**SENATOR JAY EMLER, CHAIR**

**REGARDING H.B. 2036**

**FEBRUARY 14, 2007**

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee, I am Chris Wilson,  
Executive Director of the Kansas Building Industry Association (KBIA). KBIA  
is the statewide trade association of the home building industry, with  
approximately 2500 member companies.

Thank you for the opportunity to support H.B. 2036, regarding thermal  
efficiency disclosure for new home buyers. H.B. 2036 passed the House 117-7.  
This bill addresses the same topic as S.B. 120. Several members of the House of  
Representatives met with representatives of our industry and other housing-  
related associations over a two-week period to develop the language in the House-  
passed bill. It was a strong bi-partisan effort, with the goal of providing the best  
information possible to the consumer, that would be accurate, and with the best  
possible timing for the consumer to make informed decisions.

In H.B. 2036, the House chose to modify the energy efficiency disclosure  
form, along the lines recommended by the Kansas Energy Council, by including a



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comparison of the individual home's features with the International Energy Conservation Code and the Energy Star ratings. The numbers are left blank, so that those may be filled in with the current and local values. In this way, the form remains in the statute, but is flexible with changes in code and specific to the location of the home.

KBIA strongly supports H.B. 2036 in its current form and respectfully asks that you report H.B. 2036 favorable for passage.

