

Testimony

By the Kansas Contractors Association

before the Senate Commerce Committee regarding SB 333

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Co-chairman Browlee and Co-chairman Jordan and members of the Senate Commerce Committee, I am Bob Totten, Public Affairs Director for the Kansas Contractors Association. Our organization **represents over 400 companies** who are involved in the construction of highways and water treatment facilities in Kansas and the Midwest.

Today, I want to thank you for allowing me to testify in connection with Senate Bill 333. We have had some concerns on this measure in the most recent past however after reviewing this bill, we basically have no problem with the way it is written except in Section 8 on page 4 of the bill. This section refers to KDOT and its spec book. We know KDOT is updating the spec book this year and I am concerned the bill needs to reflect the proposed changes.

I would suggest a minor change in that it should say “or any subsequent editions “  
That way, this bill will not refer to a standard that may be out of date July 1<sup>st</sup> of this year.

Other than that minor amendment, we are supportive of SB 333 in its present form.

I will be glad to answer any questions at this time.