



# Chamber of Commerce

*“Building on Small Town Values”*

February 25, 2008

The Honorable Senator Karen Brownlee, Co-Chair  
The Honorable Senator Nick Jordan, Co-Chair  
Members of the Kansas Senate Interim Tax Committee  
State of Kansas  
300 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Topeka, KS 66612

RE: Written Testimony for Senate Bill No. 634

Dear Members of the Kansas Senate Interim Tax Committee:

On behalf of the De Soto Chamber of Commerce, the De Soto Economic Development Council and the businesses of our community, I would like to thank you for opportunity to provide written testimony on behalf of Senate Bill No. 634 which considers the monetization of tax credits and other incentives available to companies in Kansas.

In order for Kansas to remain competitive and provide a successful business climate, refundability policies as well as enhancing existing IMPACT programs should be considered to encourage business investments and grow economic development opportunities for the State of Kansas. As the business voice for our growing bedroom community, Senate Bill No. 634 would enable De Soto to provide a stable tax base for our citizens, increase business opportunities within the state and provide investments into our community that may not be possible without the support of thriving companies and the State of Kansas. Opportunities such as Senate Bill No. 634 will stimulate business and encourage existing businesses to grow and expand in Kansas, which has a reaching benefit across the state.

The De Soto Chamber of Commerce and the De Soto Economic Development Council respectfully requests that Senate Bill No. 634 receive serious consideration and assistance from the Committee to improve State incentive policies.

Thank you in advance for this opportunity and honor to address the Interim Tax Committee on this matter. Please do not hesitate in contacting me should you have any questions.

Respectfully,

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