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Remote Testimony to House Education Committee Honorable Chair, Representative Adam Thomas

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Opposed <u>HB 2700</u> – Establishing the school library rating system task force to develop a rating system for materials available to students in public school libraries and requiring school districts to implement such rating system.

Hearing: Wednesday, Feb 14, 2024, 1:30 PM Room 218-N

Honorable Chair Thomas and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide remote testimony regarding HB 2700 – legislative defined school library rating system.

- This bill conflicts with our Standing Positions and Legislative Priorities.
- The Kansas PTA supports the expertise of our educational professionals to determine the process and selection of our public school libraries.
- Given more time to prepare, further details on the Kansas PTA position will be presented during remote testimony.

Kansas PTA strongly urges members of this committee to vote NO on the bill HB 2700, to uphold the Kansas Constitution and authority vested in the State Board of Education. Thank you for your consideration.

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