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Sen. Galen Hadley  
District 37  
Room 1116  
P.O. Box 94604  
State Capitol  
Lincoln, NE 68509

RE: Nonprofit Association of the Midlands Opposes LB 405

Dear Senator Hadley:

The Board of Directors of the Nonprofit Association of the Midlands is opposed to LB 405 which is being heard by the Revenue Committee the first week of February. The reasons for this position are simple and compelling:

- Income tax provides over one-half of all state general fund revenue
- Further erosion of our revenue base will do lasting damage to Nebraska
- Income tax is vital to a balanced revenue system
- Ending the income tax is not the path to prosperity
- The elimination of tax credits and exemptions will harm Nebraska's businesses, families and seniors and many clients who use our sector's services

Nonprofits belong in the debate about Nebraska's future. We not only work each day to improve Nebraskans' quality of life, we're also a major economic engine in our state, employing one in eleven Nebraska workers.

The Nonprofit Association of the Midlands is a statewide membership organization that represents nonprofit organizations of every type. We are a member of the National Council of Nonprofits with established internal processes to determine our public policy agenda which is approved by our board of directors. We have been and will continue to help educate nonprofits, board members and donors on how this bill would impact our community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Anne Hindery  
Chief Executive Officer