



**Bluegrass Community
Bankers Association**

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Senator Jimmy Higdon
702 Capitol Avenue, Room 203
Frankfort, KY 40601

Chairman Higdon:

I am writing to you today on behalf of the many community lenders represented by the Bluegrass Community Bankers Association. The BCBA works to represent our members and their communities across the Commonwealth by advocating for sound policies before the General Assembly. Today we want to lend our support to HB 284 (Meredith) relating to the modernization of County Clerk Offices.

The BCBA was proud to participate in the County Clerk Office Modernization Task Force co-Chaired by Senator Jason Howell over the interim. That Task Force saw numerous groups come together to discuss the challenges facing these offices, and how deployment of technology can better serve constituents. HB 284 will provide an electronic titling and lien system for the Commonwealth that will improve the automotive industry for dealers, lenders, and consumers. This improved system will expedite the current process while at the same time allowing transaction to occur even when Clerk office are closed due to unforeseen causes.

Thank you again for your leadership, and for allowing HB 284 to be heard in the Senate Transportation Committee. We look forward to the passage of HB 284, and the ability to better serve Kentuckians purchasing a motor vehicle.

Sincerely,

Gary Broady
Executive Director

Your Kentucky ICBA Affiliate