



**Kansas Restaurant and Hospitality Association
Supporting Testimony
House Bill 2446
Scott J. Schneider J.D.
Senate Federal and State Affairs
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Chair and members of the committee, the Kansas Restaurant and Hospitality Association support House Bill 2446. We have confidence our members know best how to balance their customer's environmental expectations with those same customer's desires to be served food in clean, cost effective methods.

The restaurant industry has some of the lowest margin business models and these types of changes can have a meaningful impact on the bottom line. I have included a year over year chart showing how volatile inflation is on many of the restaurant industry products. Both the paper/disposable and small wares and equipment lines show wild fluctuations and may drive purchasing decisions. These decisions are best left to business owners.

The KRHA also has members who are proactively making company level commitments to reduce waste and increase recycling. In fact, Starbucks and McDonalds have joined to develop recyclable/compostable cups and more than 450 companies have signed on to the New Plastics Economy Global Commitment.¹ These decisions to change paper/plastic use, distribution partners, and business processes should be left with those who have taken the financial risk –the business owners.

If the only way for businesses in the State of Kansas can have a predictable, scalable, and cost effective business model is to pass a state-level preemption, then we support that action.

Thank you for your consideration of our position.

¹ https://www.newplasticseconomy.org/assets/doc/Global-Commitment-Signatories_Feb-2020.pdf

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KRHA WORKERS' COMP FUND

Sysco Kansas City
Cost Comparison Worksheet
Percentage Inflation/(Deflation) over FY23 - on Purchases vs. Last Year

	Healthcare	Dairy	Meats	Seafood	Poultry	Frozen	Canned/Dry	Paper/Disp	Chemicals	S&E	Produce	Dispenser	Total
1	0.50%	27.61%	-4.80%	8.31%	25.19%	17.73%	14.91%	9.94%	9.62%	-18.36%	19.31%	8.50%	12.23%
2	3.35%	27.08%	-4.71%	7.30%	26.65%	17.86%	17.84%	9.88%	9.96%	-19.55%	21.87%	8.49%	13.51%
3	1.25%	27.68%	-1.51%	7.07%	25.00%	17.88%	18.08%	10.61%	6.78%	-8.45%	23.00%	7.94%	14.17%
4	1.16%	27.58%	0.03%	5.12%	21.13%	17.89%	16.95%	11.39%	9.64%	57.27%	20.51%	8.26%	13.77%
JULY													
5	0.83%	27.72%	3.46%	4.81%	21.26%	20.43%	17.38%	14.77%	11.34%	109.23%	19.96%	8.48%	15.58%
6	0.22%	28.16%	5.39%	1.22%	20.09%	19.39%	16.23%	14.86%	11.05%	4.08%	19.34%	9.21%	15.13%
7	0.85%	27.37%	4.20%	0.27%	18.94%	18.51%	16.35%	13.50%	13.19%	15.34%	18.25%	8.46%	14.52%
8	1.35%	28.41%	2.45%	0.55%	17.61%	18.29%	15.18%	12.84%	10.66%	-17.15%	19.27%	8.60%	13.61%
AUGUST													
9	1.34%	27.32%	-0.54%	1.13%	16.49%	18.53%	15.25%	14.65%	9.98%	-43.73%	20.22%	9.11%	11.41%
10	1.23%	26.88%	-1.55%	1.29%	12.33%	18.28%	14.66%	15.13%	9.73%	-40.99%	21.04%	9.61%	11.74%
11	0.21%	25.17%	-4.16%	-5.00%	12.11%	17.90%	15.71%	15.03%	9.60%	-3.78%	19.74%	8.82%	11.06%
12	7.17%	24.80%	-4.07%	-2.39%	8.24%	18.67%	16.11%	13.83%	8.80%	-0.09%	18.06%	8.81%	10.47%
13	4.65%	24.89%	-5.08%	-2.19%	7.63%	18.46%	15.59%	13.38%	12.66%	46.57%	17.42%	8.44%	10.22%
SEPTEMBER													
14	2.47%	24.19%	-5.36%	-0.34%	3.58%	19.27%	15.99%	13.25%	10.21%	27.01%	16.34%	8.29%	9.57%
15	11.31%	24.14%	-4.83%	-4.74%	2.51%	18.87%	15.29%	12.32%	11.69%	13.93%	16.59%	8.51%	9.17%
16	7.01%	25.01%	-5.60%	-2.52%	-0.62%	18.74%	15.55%	13.04%	8.59%	-4.62%	18.64%	8.11%	8.70%
17	4.99%	24.47%	-4.71%	-1.09%	-0.92%	17.89%	15.72%	11.35%	7.83%	29.31%	17.35%	8.11%	9.02%
OCTOBER													
18	6.76%	23.89%	-5.17%	-2.76%	-3.26%	18.75%	15.09%	12.52%	10.44%	-22.37%	18.56%	8.55%	8.36%
19	7.58%	23.98%	-4.65%	-6.97%	-4.06%	18.86%	15.83%	11.83%	12.38%	-21.59%	19.88%	8.08%	8.27%
20	3.53%	23.99%	-5.41%	-6.68%	-2.07%	18.72%	15.75%	11.15%	10.59%	30.28%	23.39%	8.18%	8.69%
21	7.92%	23.46%	-4.78%	-5.64%	-8.89%	19.04%	15.00%	9.44%	10.06%	39.57%	26.86%	7.83%	7.69%
NOVEMBER													
22	8.82%	22.80%	-4.09%	-7.73%	-7.18%	17.65%	15.88%	10.18%	10.74%	33.36%	28.83%	8.25%	8.77%
23	7.84%	23.20%	-4.89%	-6.94%	-9.71%	17.28%	15.15%	8.73%	12.89%	31.26%	31.05%	7.49%	7.84%
24	6.80%	24.14%	-5.26%	-8.23%	-10.48%	17.39%	15.33%	8.38%	11.95%	-35.16%	33.62%	8.09%	7.20%
25	3.66%	22.99%	-5.58%	-9.13%	-15.21%	17.09%	14.35%	9.56%	12.07%	-37.42%	30.50%	8.09%	5.85%
26	7.56%	20.41%	-6.12%	-6.32%	-19.06%	17.56%	14.83%	5.94%	11.21%	6.52%	23.23%	9.52%	4.54%
DECEMBER													
27	6.71%	19.95%	-5.38%	-6.75%	-15.01%	16.16%	14.96%	7.07%	11.94%	-19.25%	23.26%	9.86%	5.82%
28	9.04%	18.65%	-3.92%	-7.41%	-17.36%	16.08%	15.99%	8.59%	12.46%	62.53%	18.55%	9.79%	5.93%
29	10.32%	16.52%	-3.60%	-7.58%	-19.19%	16.53%	15.92%	7.54%	10.66%	-42.27%	9.22%	8.86%	3.74%
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YTD	4.70%	24.57%	-3.11%	-2.18%	3.65%	18.13%	15.75%	11.40%	10.65%	5.91%	21.17%	8.56%	9.88%