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To: House Committee on Agriculture
Rep. Ken Rahjes, Chair

From: Aaron M. Popelka, V.P. of Legal and Governmental Affairs, Kansas Livestock Association

Re: **HB 2476 AN ACT concerning agriculture; relating to pesticides; permitting federal pesticide warning or labeling requirements to satisfy any state pesticide warning or labeling requirements.**

Position: Proponent, Written

The Kansas Livestock Association (KLA), formed in 1894, is a trade association representing nearly 5,600 members on legislative and regulatory issues. KLA members are involved in many aspects of the livestock industry, including seed stock, cow-calf, and stocker cattle production; cattle feeding; dairy production; swine production; grazing land management; and diversified farming operations.

Thank you, Chairman Rahjes, and members of the Committee, for allowing the Kansas Livestock Association (KLA) the opportunity to share support for HB 2476, which would help ensure future availability of federally approved pesticides by preventing frivolous lawsuits.

The Kansas livestock industry responsibly utilizes federally registered and labeled pesticides to keep rangeland free from noxious, invasive weed species and provide livestock relief from pests like flies and rodents. KLA believes this legislation will help prevent frivolous failure to warn lawsuits where pesticide products are federally registered and bear a federally approved label. This in turn will help keep pesticide products affordable and prevent premature removal of the products from the market.

KLA appreciates the opportunity to submit testimony as a proponent of HB 2476, and ask that when it works the bill, the Committee approve the bill favorable for passage.