



Greater Wichita  
Partnership

## **HB 2464: Providing Income Tax Credits for Aerospace and Aviation Program Graduates and their Employees**

January 26, 2026

Chairman Tarwater and Members of the House Commerce, Labor, and Economic Development Committee:

We appreciate the opportunity to provide this **letter of support** on behalf of the **Greater Wichita Partnership for HB 2464**. The Partnership is the lead public-private economic development organization serving the 10-county region of Wichita and over 150 private-sector employers, including the largest job-creators in the state like Boeing, Textron Aviation, and Bombardier.

The continuation of this credit will allow the aerospace industry and related companies to further their investment in the Kansas workforce. The Partnership joins the Kansas Economic Development Alliance, Wichita Regional Chamber of Commerce and other organizations in supporting this needed tool for our economic development for these reasons.

- **Assists Kansas in Attracting Talent:** the targeted focus of HB 2464 to offset training and tuition expenses for aviation-industry workers will be a significant attraction for the over 450 aerospace industry companies in Kansas to find new workers.
- **Supports Kansas' Key Industry Cluster:** The aerospace/ aviation sector has been and will continue to be a key driver for our region & state's economy. Nearly 30,000 workers in South-Central Kansas are in the aviation industry sector and constitute one of the largest industry segments of our economy.

On behalf of the Partnership, we fully **support HB 2464 as it will aid the economic development and talent attraction efforts of Kansas**. We are available to provide additional information at your request.

Sincerely,

Jeff Fluhr  
President  
Greater Wichita Partnership