

To: House Committee on Federal and State Affairs
From: Spencer Duncan, Government Affairs Director
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RE: HB 2376 – CMB Licensing
Proponent – Verbal Testimony

Thank you to the Chair and members of the Committee for the opportunity to provide testimony.

HB 2376 is an attempt to clarify current laws and practices, which are a bit at odds. The past several years, acts that are outlined in statute regarding CMB licensing have been mutually ceded to local governments. This bill is an effort to untangle the current situation. The League of Kansas Municipalities supports this effort.

The Kansas Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control worked with cities prior to submitting HB 2376 and took our concerns and considerations into account.

HB 2376 provides the ABC with the oversight and licensing authority it needs, while also keeping local control, licensing authority, and inspection processes in place.

While we support HB 2376 as written, we do so with an understanding that we will only continue to support if the language of the bill and its intent are not substantially altered.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if I can provide any additional information.



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