

Kansas Agricultural Aviation Association
Comments on HB2478 – January 22, 2018
House Agriculture Committee

Chairman Hoffman and members of the Committee,

Kansas Agricultural Aviation Association members operate in Kansas under pesticide business licenses and applicator certificates issued by the Department of Agriculture. We recognize the need for an efficient system of license renewal that may require the imposition of late fees and understand the rationale for the introduction of HB2478 by KDA.

This afternoon, however, as it became apparent that the imposition of late fees was not to be “across the board” for all sectors of KDA licensees, we felt it necessary to stand in opposition to HB2478 as currently written. We feel that amending 2478 to treat all licensees equitably is necessary for the bill to gain our support.

We concur with an amendment that would address the situation of pesticide business licensees who fall under multiple categories and would be uniquely impacted by the compounding of late fees.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

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