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Testimony on HB2413 — Alcoholic beverages; creating the art studio permit

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Chairman Brunk, Vice Chair Couture-Lovelady and Members of the Committee,

I am Philip Bradley representing the Kansas Licensed Beverage Association. Thank you for the opportunity to speak today and I will be brief and not repeat information presented by others.

For many, many years individuals, groups and businesses have had events with BYOB without any problems or even interest by law enforcement and/or government. Just recently some local and state ABC agencies have not only taken an interest but have changed their decades long policies and interpretations of the statutes and started advising some small business owners that they need a Liquor License. Without one they would be subject to violations, citations fines and even stricter punishments.

It seems strange that one who is not purchasing, selling, providing or even serving alcohol would need a license or even a permit from the state agency licensing Liquor. It seems counter intuitive that the suggested solution to the body that makes the laws is to not change that law, but to require more permit/licenses and then create an exception for a lessor permit for one of the affected groups.

I would ask that you amend this bill to change K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 41-719 to allow these activities without a new permit, without a new fee and without the new regulations.

We ask you to NOT pass HB2413. For some time these individuals and members representing the industry have been working to resolve any issues involving BYOB. A resolution has not been agreed to and instead the citations and threat of enforcement have occurred. We also ask that the parties involved, the ABC and local law enforcement agree to not issue citations/violations as we work toward resolution.

We urge you to not advance this measure without the above mentioned amendments.

Again thank you for your attention and consideration. I am available for your questions.

Philip Bradley

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