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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Ralph Ostmeyer, Chairman, Senate Committee on Federal and State

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FROM: Debbi Beavers, Interim Director of Kansas Alcoholic Beverage Control

DATE: 05 February 2016

SUBJECT: Neutral Testimony on Senate Bill 379

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee.

This bill would remove the requirement for an applicant to be a resident of Kansas for one year preceding the application for a farm winery license. This would allow any applicant any applicant residing in Kansas to meet the residency requirement when applying for a farm winery license.

Applicants for a Microbrewery or Microdistillery license also must be a resident of Kansas for one year preceding application to meet the residency requirement. As a matter of practicality, the ABC would not be opposed to removing the one year requirement for these license types also.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify as neutral on this bill.